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TOWN OF ASHLAND NEW HAMPSHIRE ANNUAL REPORT



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TOWN OFFICE HOURS – MON, TUES, WED, FRI 8-4, TH 8-5
WELFARE DIRECTOR HOURS – TH 5:30-7:30
BUILDING INSPECTOR- TH 4-5

BELOW IS A LIST OF NUMBERS FOR VARIOUS TOWN DEPARTMENTS

ADMINISTRATION	TOWN ADMINISTRATOR	968-4432
ASSESSING	TOWN OFFICE	968-4432
BUILDING PERMITS	BUILDING INSPECTOR	968-4432
BURN PERMITS	FIRE DEPARTMENT	968-7772
DOGS-LICENSING	TOWN CLERK	968-4432
DOGS- AT LARGE	POLICE DEPARTMENT	968-4000
ELECTIONS	TOWN CLERK	968-4432
VOTER REGISTRATION	TOWN CLERK	968-4432
ELECTRIC SERVICE	ASHLAND ELECTRIC	968-3083
HEALTH OFFICER	TOWN OFFICE	968-4432
TOWN LIBRARY	LIBRARY	968-7928
VEHICLE REGISTRATION	TOWN CLERK	968-4432
LAND USE ISSUES	TOWN OFFICE	968-4432
POLICE	POLICE DEPT	968-4000
PARKS/RECREATION	BOOSTER CLUB	968-9209
RECYCLING	TRANSFER STATION	968-9032
ROAD MAINTENANCE	ROAD AGENT	968-3166
SCHOOLS	ASHLAND ELEMENTARY	968-7622
	PLYMOUTH REG HIGH	536-1444
PROPERTY TAXES	TAX COLLECTOR	968-4432
VITAL RECORDS	TOWN CLERK	968-4432
WATER/SEWER DEPT	BILLING OFFICE	968-4002
	TREATMENT PLANT	968-7193
WELFARE	WELFARE DIRECTOR	968-4432

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DEDICATION

2006 TOWN REPORT



Caring and giving, are two words that best describe Nancy Cross, to whom we dedicate this 2006 Town Report.

Nancy has dedicated her "free time" helping her fellow residents of Ashland.

The Ashland Community Center was her vision. With the help of many, her vision became a reality. The Community Center has evolved through Nancy's vision to become an integral part of this community. A program that is very important to Nancy is the Ashland Food Pantry, which is located at the center.

Nancy is very active at the Ashland Baptist Church as an organist, deacon, trustee and one of the leaders of the Youth Group.

Over the years Nancy has been active with the Boy and Girl Scouts, the July 4 Committee and has been an advocate for the Fresh Air Kids Program. She is the music behind the Community Choir.

Even with all these extra curricular activities, you will find that the main focus in her life is her family.

We *Thank You* Nancy for your commitment to our community.

WE REMEMBER.....

I'd like the memory of me
to be a happy one,
I'd like to leave an afterglow
of smiles when life is done,
I'd like to leave an echo
whispering softly down the ways,
of happy times and laughing
times and bright and sunny days.

I'd like the tears of those who
grieve, to dry before the sun
of happy memories that I leave when life is done

**WITH FOND MEMORIES WE REMEMBER THE CITIZENS WE
HAVE LOST THIS YEAR**

THOMAS MARTEL
LILLIAN CHANDLER
RICHARD BECKNER
ELIZABETH MORTON
PATRICIA CROWLEY
MARION MARTEL
LUNA DAILEY

GERARD CHOUINARD
RUSSELL CROSS SR
SHIRLEY BAKER
ALFRED WORTHEN JR
JEANETTE SHAW
SHIRLEY INKEL
ERNEST HOLT

THE
TOWN OF ASHLAND
HONORS

Whereas, Romenia "Minnie" Hughes, the oldest citizen of the Town of Ashland celebrated her 100th birthday on June 2, 2006; and

Whereas, the friend we have all known as "Minnie" has lived in this community for over eight decades; and

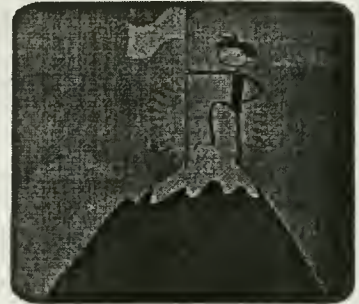
Whereas, Minnie has been an effective supporter of this community in her own animated way; and

Whereas, Minnie has delighted her friends and neighbors with her wonderful sense of humor and love of life;

Be it Resolved, that the Ashland Board of Selectmen hereby congratulates "Minnie" on this occasion of her birthday and officially declare June 2, 2006 "Minnie Hughes Day" in the Town of Ashland.

We hereunto set our hands on this the second day of June in the year of our Lord two thousand six,

Proclamation



Whereas, Jim Gagne is a resident of the Town of Ashland;

Whereas, Jim Gagne is an avid mountain climber;

Whereas, Jim Gagne has become the first New Hampshire native to climb Mt. Everest;

Whereas, because of this accomplishment he has brought recognition to our community;

Be it Resolved that the Ashland Board of Selectmen hereby declares August 5, 2006 “Jim Gagne Day” in the Town of Ashland.



CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

awarded to

RAYMOND KNOWLTON

IN RECOGNITION FOR HAVING SERVED THE TOWN OF ASHLAND AS A
MEMBER OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT.
YOUR TIRELESS EFFORTS IN TAKING CARE OF THE BALLPARK GROUNDS
HAVE NOT GONE UNNOTICED.

***IT IS WITH GREAT APPRECIATION AND THANKS THAT WE PRESENT THIS
CERTIFICATE TO YOU.***

In recognition of the achievement, we have hereunto set our hands on the fourth day of December, 2006.

*Glenn R. Dion
Daniel Golden
Richard Bagge
Beth Bartlett
Jeanette I. Stewart
Ashland Board of Selectmen*

ASHLAND BOARDS AND OFFICIALS

(R=RESIGNED, A=APPOINTED, YEAR =TERM ENDS)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

GLENN DION 2008 BETH BARTLETT 2009 JEANETTE I. STEWART 2007
DANIEL GOLDEN 2007 RICHARD BAGGE 2008 (RESIGNED) THOMAS PETERS (APPOINTED)

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

RICHARD J. ALPERS

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

LAURA L. PLUMMER

TOWN CLERK

PATRICIA TUCKER 2008

TAX COLLECTOR

PATRICIA TUCKER

DEPUTY TOWN CLERK – TAX COLLECTOR

LAURA PLUMMER

TOWN TREASURER

LINDA GUYOTTE 2008 LINDA EASTMAN, DEPUTY

TOWN MODERATOR

PHILIP PRESTON 2008

TOWN TRUSTEES

EDWARD DUPUIS 2009

RICHARD PARE 2008

RICHARD OGDEN 2007

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

LYNN DAVIS 2009

ALICE STAPLES 2007

JULIA SMITH 2008

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

BEVERLY OBER 2012

DOUGLAS OBER 2008

MARYANN REINHOLZ 2010

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT – TRANSFER RECYCLING CENTER

MARK OBER – ROAD AGENT

TIMOTHY PAQUETTE

DANIEL DEFOSSES

DANIEL THOMPSON

SHELLY THOMPSON

PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR

JAMES GLEICH

ASHLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICERS

CHIEF JOSEPH CHIVELL

LT. DONALD MARREN

SGT STEPHEN ROWE

PTLMN DANIEL HAMILTON

PTLMN ANGELA BERGERON

PTLMN CHRISTOPHER PAQUETTE

PT JAMIE LYFORD

PT JOSHUA TENLEY

PT JOSEPH DELUCA

ADM. DAVID MOSER

SCRIBNER MEMORIAL TRUSTEES

DANIEL UHLMAN 2008 THOMAS PETERS 2007

TOWN MECHANIC

LEE HUCKINS

CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

RUTH KNAPP 2008 ANNE ALLEN 2008
3 VACANCIES

WELFARE DIRECTOR ROBERT HICKS

HOUSING STANDARDS BOARD

ASHLAND FIRE CHIEF ASHLAND HEALTH OFFICER
3 VACANCIES

PEMI BAKER SOLID WASTE DISTRICT REP

MARK OBER 2006

HEALTH OFFICER

ELLISON BADGER (A) RICHARD J. ALPERS - DEPUTY

ASHLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS

CHIEF THOMAS STEWART (A)

DEPUTY BRADLEY OBER

DEPUTY CHARLES FOUTS

ASHLAND ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT

COMMISSIONERS ERNEST HUTTER 2007 (RESIGNED) MELVIN HOLLAND 2009 RAY KNOWLTON 2008
KENDALL L. HUGHES (APPOINTED)

SUPERINTENDENT LEE V. NICHOLS **EXECUTIVE SECRETARY** LINDA PACK **STAFF** PATRICIA FLIGG

ASHLAND WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT

COMMISSIONERS ERNEST PAQUETTE 2007 ROBERT BOYLE 2008 ANDREW DAME 2009

CONTRACTED OPERATOR AQUARION SERVICES

PLANT MANAGER RUSSELL CROSS JR

ASSISTANT JOHN FLIGG

OFFICE STAFF KAY MUDGETT

ASHLAND PLANNING BOARD

DON LATULIPPE 2008 MICHAEL EVLETH 2008 ANDREW FITCH 2008 ROBERT BOYLE 2007

JEANETTE I. STEWART (SELECTMEN REP) KENDALL B. HUGHES 2009

ALT. RYAN MacDONALD 2009

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

ELAINE ALLARD 2007 ROBERT BOYLE 2009

FRANCIS MURDOCK 2007 ERNEST GILMAN 2007 PAUL BRADBURY 2008

BUDGET COMMITTEE

SANDRA COLEMAN SEL. GLENN DION ROBIN FISK KENDALL B. HUGHES

KENDALL L. HUGHES S. BOARD HELEN KNOWLTON DOUGLAS OBER DENNIS POTTER

DAVID RUELL ANNE SULLIVAN TIMOTHY SWEETSIR DEBRA SWEETSIR AMY MORIARTY

SEL DANIEL GOLDEN (ALT) S. BOARD ROBERT MARGESON (ALT)

BUILDING INSPECTOR – CODE ENFORCEMENT ROBERT HICKS
PLUMBING INSPECTOR DALE GRAY
ELECTRICAL INSPECTOR FRANCIS MURDOCK
BURNER INSPECTOR ASHLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT

HISTORIC COMMISSION
ROBERT HICKS CLAIRE HICKS

MEMORIAL PARK TRUSTEES
MARY RUELL 2006 MARION MERRILL 2006
ERNEST HUTTER 2008 PHILIP PRESTON 2008

PEMI BAKER HOME HEALTH AGENCY REP PHILIP PRESTON – MARY RUELL

DURING THE YEAR THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN OFTEN FIND THAT THEY HAVE VACANCIES ON SOME OF THE BOARDS. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING YOUR SERVICES AND EXPERTISE FOR OUR COMMUNITY PLEASE CONTACT THE ASHLAND TOWN OFFICE. WE WILL BE GLAD TO PUT YOUR NAME ON A CONTACT LIST WHEN A VACANCY MIGHT ARISE.

YOU MAY BE IN LUCK WHEN YOU CALL AND THE BOARD THAT YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SERVING ON IS IN NEED OF MEMBERS.

CALL US AT 968-4432

TOWN MEETING
AND
GENERAL
ELECTION
RESULTS

**MINUTES OF THE DELIBERATIVE SESSION
TOWN OF ASHLAND, NEW HAMPSHIRE
FEBRUARY 4, 2006**

In accordance with the legally posted meeting, Moderator Philip Preston called the session to order at 1:03 PM. It was announced that the official ballot voting on the articles would take place on March 14, 2006 from 9AM to 7PM at the Ashland School Gymnasium.

Before the articles were read, Town Clerk Patricia Tucker called Edward Dupuis forward and read the 2005 Town Report Dedication. Mr. Dupuis was given a standing ovation.

The head table included Board of Selectmen Glenn Dion, Caroline Gosse, Daniel Golden; Town Administrator Richard J. Alpers; Town Clerk Patricia Tucker; Budget Committee Members David Ruell, Beth Bartlett, Robin Fisk, Neale Bavis, Helen Knowlton and Attorney Laura Spector.

Article 1:

To choose all of the following officers for the year ensuing:

(1)	Selectman	3 Year Term
(1)	Selectman	2 Year Term
(1)	Selectmen	1 Year Term
(1)	Town Moderator	2 Year Term
(1)	Town Trustee of the Trust Funds	3 Year Term
(1)	Library Trustee	3 Year Term
(1)	Electric Commissioner	3 Year Term
(1)	Water/Sewer Commissioner	3 Year Term
(4)	Budget Committee	3 Year Term
(3)	Budget Committee	2 Year Term
(2)	Budget Committee	1 Year Term
(1)	Supervisor of the Checklist	6 Year Term

The Moderator read this article, there was no discussion. The article will appear on the ballot for election of officers.

Article 2

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000) to be deposited into the existing River Street Bridge Repair Capital Reserve Fund for the repair of the River Street Bridge over Squam River. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. The Budget Committee does recommend this article. (Majority Vote Required)

The Moderator read this article, there was no discussion. The Moderator declared that the article would appear on the ballot as written.

Article 3

To see if the Town will vote to create a Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of purchasing a police cruiser, to designate the selectmen as agents to expend

from this capital reserve fund, and to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirteen Thousand Dollars (\$13,000) to be deposited into said Capital Reserve Fund. Purchase to be in the year 2007. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. The Budget Committee does recommend this article. (Majority Vote Required)

The Moderator read this article and was followed by discussion. The Moderator declared that the article would appear on the ballot as written.

Article 4

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) to be deposited into an existing Highway Truck Capital Reserve Fund towards the purchase of a Highway Truck in 2008. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. The Budget Committee does recommend this article. (Majority Vote Required)

The Moderator read this article and was followed by discussion. The Moderator declared that the article would appear on the ballot as written.

Article 5

To see if the Town of Ashland will vote to employ a full time paid fire chief, and to raise and appropriate the sum not to exceed \$35,000 to cover a half a year salary and benefits for the full time paid Fire Chief in 2006. This position will become effective July 1, 2006. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. The Budget Committee does recommend this article. (Majority Vote Required)

The Moderator read this article and was followed by discussion. The Moderator declared that the article would appear on the ballot as written.

Article 6

Shall the Town of Ashland raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amount set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote on the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$5,749,385.00. Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be, \$5,431,551.00, which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Ashland or by law. Additionally, should this article be defeated, the Board of Selectmen may schedule one special town meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only.

The moderator read this article. Patricia Tucker made a motion to amend the article by \$20,000 by adding \$10,000 to line 6340 "Engineering Expense" in the Water budget and \$10,000 to line 6340 "Engineering Expense" in the sewer budget; making the total to be raised \$5,769,385.00. Seconded by Mark Ober. Following

discussion of the amendment, the moderator call for a voice vote and declared the amendment passed with no dissent.

Following discussion on the amended article, the moderator declared that the article would appear on the ballot as amended.

Article 7

To see if the Town will vote to immediately discontinue the Board of Electric Commissioners and return the management, control, and direction of the municipal electric system to the authority of the Board of Selectmen. Petitioned Article (Majority Vote Required)

The moderator read this article and was followed by discussion. Richard Pare moved to end debate, it was seconded and the moderator called for voice vote and declared the motion to end debate passed.

The Moderator declared that the article would appear on the ballot as written.

Article 8

To see if the Town will vote to immediately discontinue the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners and return the management, control, and direction of the municipal water and sewer system to the authority of the Board of Selectmen. Petitioned Article (Majority Vote Required)

The moderator read the article. Richard Pare moved to end debate, it was seconded and the moderator called for voice vote and declared the motion to end debate passed with dissent.

The Moderator declared that the article would appear on the ballot as written.

Article 9

To see if the Town of Ashland shall reduce the number of elected members on the budget committee from 12 elected members to 7 elected members, effective March 13, 2007. (This will give a total of 9 members, 7 elected and 2 appointed) The Board of Selectmen recommends this article.

The Moderator read this article and was followed by discussion. The Moderator declared that the article would appear on the ballot as written.

Article 10

To see if the Town will, pursuant to RSA 674:40-a, delegate the authority to the local governing body, which is the Board of Selectmen, to accept dedicated streets as deemed necessary. This authority would remain in effect until rescinded by another vote of the legislative body. The Board of Selectmen does approve this article.

The Moderator read this article and was followed by discussion. The Moderator declared that the article would appear on the ballot as written.

Article 11

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the Disorderly Actions Ordinance as proposed by the Board of Selectmen. This Ordinance will provide definitions of disorderly conduct and will prohibit certain conduct, which creates hazards or annoyance when it is performed or observable in public places. This Ordinance will become law immediately following a majority vote.

The Moderator read this article and was followed by discussion. The Moderator declared that the article would appear on the ballot as written.

Article 12

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the prepayment of property taxes and authorize the Tax Collector to accept such prepayment as provided by RSA 80:52-a. This authority to remain in effect until rescinded by another vote of the legislative body.

The Moderator read this article and was followed by discussion. The Moderator declared that the article would appear on the ballot as written.

Article 13

To see if the town will vote to accept the reports of its boards, commissions, and officers for the year of 2005 subject to corrections of errors when and if found.

The Moderator read this article and was followed by discussion. The Moderator declared that the article would appear on the ballot as written.

Chairman Glenn Dion recognized retiring board members Caroline Gosse and Robert Moore for their service to Ashland for the past few years.

Moderator Preston declared the meeting adjourned at 3:25 PM.

Patricia Tucker
Ashland Town Clerk

**TOWN OF ASHLAND, NEW HAMPSHIRE
OFFICIAL BALLOTING
MARCH 14, 2006**

In accordance with the legally posted warrant, Moderator Philip Preston opened the polls at 9 AM. He announced that the absentee ballots would be cast at 1 PM and the polls would not close before 7 PM.

Election officials present were: Moderator Philip Preston, Town Clerk Patricia Tucker, Supervisors of the Checklist Douglas Ober, Beverly Ober, Maryann Reinholz; Ballot Clerks Margaret Duguay, Josephine Brown, David Ruell, Eleanor Lyford.

The following ballot counters were sworn in by Town Clerk Patricia Tucker – Linda Guyotte, Dennis Potter, Caroline Gosse, Ann Reeve, David Ruell, Lee Nichols, Anne Abear, Anthony Randall, Daniel Golden, Glenn Dion.

Total votes cast	462
Percentage	37%



BALLOT 1 OF 2

OFFICIAL BALLOT
ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
ASHLAND, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 14, 2006

Patricia Tucker
TOWN CLERK

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

- A. TO VOTE, completely fill in the OVAL to the RIGHT of your choice (s) like this: ☒
- B. Follow directions as to the number of candidates to be marked for each office.
- C. To vote for a person whose name is not printed on the ballot, write the candidate's name on the line provided and completely fill in the OVAL.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Three Year Term ☐ Vote for not more than one

BETH GILLESPIY BARTLETT 336

(Write-in) ☐

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Two Year Term ☐ Vote for not more than one

RICHARD C. BAGGE 289

(Write-in) ☐

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

One Year Term ☐ Vote for not more than one

(Write-in) ☐

TOWN TRUSTEE

Three Year Term ☐ Vote for not more than one

EDWARD DUPUIS 253

KAREN NICHOLS 161

(Write-in) ☐

LIBRARY TRUSTEE

Three Year Term ☐ Vote for not more than one

LYNN DAVIS 379

(Write-in) ☐

TOWN MODERATOR

Two Year Term ☐ Vote for not more than one

PHILIP PRESTON 392

(Write-in) ☐

BUDGET COMMITTEE MEMBER

Three Year Term ☐ Vote for not more than FOUR

KENDALL B. HUGHES 347

(Write-in) ☐

(Write-in) ☐

(Write-in) ☐

(Write-in) ☐

BUDGET COMMITTEE MEMBER

Two Year Term ☐ Vote for not more than three

(Write-in) ☐

(Write-in) ☐

(Write-in) ☐

BUDGET COMMITTEE MEMBER

One Year Term ☐ Vote for not more than two

(Write-in) ☐

(Write-in) ☐

WATER AND SEWER COMMISSIONER

Three Year Term ☐ Vote for not more than one

ANDREW DAME 356

(Write-in) ☐

ELECTRIC COMMISSIONER

Three Year Term ☐ Vote for not more than one

MELVIN HOLLAND 346

(Write-in) ☐

SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST

Six Year Term ☐ Vote for not more than one

BEVERLY OBER 409

(Write-in) ☐

ARTICLES

Article 2

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YES 339
NO 11

Article 3

To see if the Town will vote to create a Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of purchasing a police cruiser, to designate the selectmen as agents to expend from this capital reserve fund, and to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirteen Thousand Dollars (\$13,000) to be deposited into said Capital Reserve Fund. Purchase to be in the year 2007. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. The Budget Committee does recommend this article. (Majority Vote Required)

YES 225
NO 228

Article 4

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000) to be deposited into an existing Highway Truck Capital Reserve Fund towards the purchase of a Highway Truck in 2008. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. The Budget Committee does recommend this article. (Majority Vote Required)

YES 301
NO 137

TURN BALLOT OVER AND CONTINUE VOTING

ARTICLES CONTINUED

Article 5

To see if the Town of Ashland will vote to employ a full time paid fire chief, and to raise and appropriate the sum not to exceed \$35,000 to cover a half a year salary and benefits for the full time paid Fire Chief in 2006. This position will become effective July 1, 2006. The Board of Selectmen recommends this article. The Budget Committee does recommend this article. (Majority Vote Required)

YES ~~200~~
NO ~~244~~

Article 6

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YES 235
NO 189

Article 7

To see if the Town will vote to immediately discontinue the Board of Electric Commissioners and return the management, control, and direction of the municipal electric system to the authority of the Board of Selectmen. Petitioned Article (Majority Vote Required)

YES 125
NO 326

Article 8

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YES 101
NO 339

Article 9

To see if the Town of Ashland shall reduce the number of elected members on the Budget Committee from 12 elected members to 7 elected members, effective March 13, 2007. (This will give a total of 9 members, 7 elected and 2 appointed) The Board of Selectmen recommends this article.

YES 346
NO 95

Article 10

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YES 299
NO 129

Article 11

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YES 301
NO 130

Article 12

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the prepayment of property taxes and authorize the Tax Collector to accept such prepayment as provided by RSA 80:52-a. This authority to remain in effect until rescinded by another vote of the legislative body.

YES 374
NO 62

Article 13

To see if the town will vote to accept the reports of its boards, commissions, and officers for the year of 2005 subject to corrections of errors when and if found.

YES 378
NO 34

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR THE ASHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER

Three Year Term Vote for not
more than one
ROBERT MARGESON 324 ☐
(Write-In) ☐

SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

One Year Term Vote for not
more than one
PATRICIA TUCKER 375 ☐
(Write-In) ☐

SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER

One Year Term Vote for not
more than one
BRIAN CHALMERS 334 ☐
(Write-In) ☐

SCHOOL DISTRICT MODERATOR

One Year Term Vote for not
more than one
PHILIP PRESTON 364 ☐
(Write-In) ☐

GO TO NEXT BALLOT AND CONTINUE VOTING

OFFICIAL BALLOT
PEMI-BAKER REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
ASHLAND, NEW HAMPSHIRE
MARCH 14, 2006

PEMI-BAKER REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

<p align="center">MODERATOR</p> <p align="center">Vote for not (1-Year Term) more than one</p> <p>QUENTIN BLAINE 340 <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p align="center">SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER FROM CAMPTON</p> <p align="center">Vote for not (3-Year Term) more than one</p> <p>LISA ASH 345 <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p align="center">SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER FROM PLYMOUTH</p> <p align="center">Vote for not (3-Year Term) more than one</p> <p>BARBARA A. NOYES 311 <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>
<p align="center">SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER FROM ASHLAND</p> <p align="center">Vote for not (3-Year Term) more than one</p> <p>CATHERINE E. HAHN 366 <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p align="center">SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER FROM HOLDERNESS</p> <p align="center">Vote for not (3-Year Term) more than one</p> <p>ANDREW C. HANCOCK 305 <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>	<p align="center">SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER FROM THORNTON</p> <p align="center">Vote for not (3-Year Term) more than one</p> <p>CAROLYN M. VARIN 299 <input type="radio"/></p> <p align="center">(Write-in) <input type="radio"/></p>

ARTICLES

Article 1: Shall the School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred ninety-seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$197,500) for the purpose of purchasing land (1.327 acres) and buildings located at 96 Highland Street, a/k/a/ Kristin L. Howard premises. Said purchase to be contingent on Plymouth's Zoning Board of Adjustment granting a special exception for the property to be used for a school. The School Board recommends this article. (Majority vote required.) YES 204 NO 217

Article 2: Shall the School District vote to authorize the School Board to negotiate and execute such tuition contracts as the board may determine advisable for students inside or outside the Pemi-Baker Regional School District. The School Board recommends this article. (Majority vote required.) YES 314 NO 98

Article 3: Shall the School District vote to establish a contingency fund in accordance with Revised Statutes Annotated 198:4-b, such contingency fund to meet the cost of unanticipated expenses that may arise during the year and, further, to see if the District will raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) for such contingency fund. The School Board recommends this appropriation. (Majority vote required.) YES 225 NO 169

Article 4: Shall the School District vote to approve the cost items included in a two-year collective bargaining agreement reached between the School Board and the Plymouth Cooperative Education Association, which calls for the following increases in salaries and benefits:

Year	Estimated Increases
2006-2007	\$211,612
2007-2008	\$228,296

and further to raise and appropriate the sum of two-hundred eleven thousand six hundred twelve dollars (\$211,612) for the 2006-2007 fiscal year, such sum representing the additional costs attributable to the increase in salaries and benefits over those of the appropriation at current staffing levels paid in the prior fiscal year. The School Board recommends this appropriation. YES 211 NO 198

Article 5: Shall the Pemi-Baker Cooperative School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five thousand four hundred and eighty-three dollars (\$25,483) for the purpose of establishing and operating a varsity Lacrosse program. (Submitted by Petition.) The School Board recommends this appropriation. (Majority vote required.) YES 148 NO 258

Article 6: Shall the School District vote to authorize and empower the School Board to borrow up to one hundred four thousand dollars (\$104,000) representing a portion of the State of New Hampshire's share of special education costs for the 2006-2007 school year, pursuant to RSA 198:20-d upon such terms and conditions as the School Board determines in the best interest of the District; said sum together with the costs of borrowing to be repaid by the State of New Hampshire pursuant to RSA 198:20-d; or to take any action in relation thereto. The School Board recommends this appropriation. (Majority vote required.) YES 273 NO 132

Article 7: Shall the Pemi-Baker Regional School District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session (deliberative session) for the purposes set forth therein, totaling eleven million nine hundred nine thousand seven hundred eighteen dollars (\$11,909,718).

Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be twelve million two hundred seventy-four thousand nine hundred one dollars (\$12,274,901), which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Pemi-Baker Regional School District; or by law or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. This sum excludes the sums in Warrant Articles 1, 3, 4, and 5. The Board recommends this article. (Majority vote required.) YES 301 NO 122

YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED VOTING

*Patricia Turner
Ashland Town Clerk
3/14/06*

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NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE PRIMARY
SEPTEMBER 12, 2006

Moderator Pro Tem A. Caroline Gosse opened the polls at 8:00 AM and declared that they would remain open until 7:00 PM. It was announced that the absentee ballots would be cast at 1:00 PM.

Election officials present were: Moderator Pro Tem A. Caroline Gosse; Town Clerk Patricia Tucker; Ballot Clerks Josephine Brown, Margaret Duguay, Eleanor Lyford, David Ruell; Supervisors of the Checklist Douglas Ober, Beverly Ober, Maryann Reinholz. Selectmen present were Glenn Dion, Richard Bagge, Daniel Golden, Beth Bartlett, and Jeanette I. Stewart.

Voter Statistics

Total Registered Voters - 1238
Republicans - 422
Democrats - 277
Undeclared - 539

Total Ballots cast on 9/12/06
124

10% voting percentage



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
RETURN OF VOTES
ASHLAND
DEMOCRATIC
STATE PRIMARY ELECTION
September 12, 2006

Wm. Gardner
SECRETARY OF STATE

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

1. To vote, fill in the oval(s) ☐ opposite your choice(s) like this ☒
2. To write-in a candidate not on the ballot, write the name on the line provided for the office and fill in the oval ☐ opposite the write-in line, like this ☐

For Governor

Vote for not more than ONE:

JOHN LYNCH 53
WRITE-IN

For Representative in Congress

Vote for not more than ONE:

PAUL W. HODES 46
WRITE-IN

For Executive Councilor

Vote for not more than ONE:

WRITE-IN

For State Senator

Vote for not more than ONE:

DEBORAH R. REYNOLDS 47
WRITE-IN

For State Representatives

Vote for not more than THREE (3):

"SID" LOVETT 38
JENNIFER MITCHELL 34
PHILIP PRESTON 45
WRITE-IN
WRITE-IN
WRITE-IN

For Sheriff

Vote for not more than ONE:

GEORGE E. MORRIS 40
WRITE-IN

For County Attorney

Vote for not more than ONE:

WRITE-IN

For County Treasurer

Vote for not more than ONE:

WRITE-IN

For Register of Deeds

Vote for not more than ONE:

"BILL" SHARP 47
WRITE-IN

For Register of Probate

Vote for not more than ONE:

WRITE-IN

For County Commissioner

Vote for not more than ONE:

MARTHA B. RICHARDS 47
WRITE-IN

At the Primary Election in

ASHLAND

(Town or City)

(Ward)

County of GRAFTON the
votes of inhabitants present and qualified
to vote were as follows:

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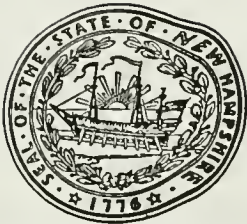
Record all write-ins on separate return.

Vote September 12, 2006

A true copy attest:

Christina J. Jeter
Signature of Town/City Clerk

One copy to be Returned
ELECTION NIGHT
to the Secretary of State



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
RETURN OF VOTES
ASHLAND
REPUBLICAN
STATE PRIMARY ELECTION
September 12, 2006

Tom Barber
SECRETARY OF STATE

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For Governor

Vote for not more than ONE:

"JIM" COBURN 42
WRITE-IN

For Representative in Congress

Vote for not more than ONE:

ROBERT A. DANDERSON 4
MARY MAXWELL 9
CHARLES BASS 51
WRITE-IN

For Executive Councilor

Vote for not more than ONE:

RAYMOND S. BURTON 58
WRITE-IN

For State Senator

Vote for not more than ONE:

CARL R. JOHNSON 49
WRITE-IN

For State Representatives

Vote for not more than THREE (3):

HAROLD MAYBECK 54
MARGIE MAYBECK 52
BURTON W. WILLIAMS 44
WRITE-IN
WRITE-IN
WRITE-IN

For Sheriff

Vote for not more than ONE:

DOUGLAS R. DUTILE 53
WRITE-IN

For County Attorney

Vote for not more than ONE:

RICARDO "RICK" ST. HILAIRE 54
WRITE-IN

For County Treasurer

Vote for not more than ONE:

CAROL A. ELLIOTT 55
WRITE-IN

For Register of Deeds

Vote for not more than ONE:

JOEL A. DUPUIS 51
WRITE-IN

For Register of Probate

Vote for not more than ONE:

REBECCA R. WYMAN 53
WRITE-IN

For County Commissioner

Vote for not more than ONE:

"BILL" GABLER 50
WRITE-IN

For Delegate to the State Convention

Vote for not more than ONE:

WRITE-IN

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Cathina Juntur

Signature of Town/City Clerk

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SEPTEMBER 12, 2006 - STATE PRIMARY - WRITEIN RESULTS

REPUBLICAN

GOVERNOR

JOHN LYNCH

CRAIG BENSON

STATE SENATOR

DEB REYNOLDS

RALPH LYFORD

STATE REPRESENTATIVE

CHARLES PIPER

MARTHA RICHARDS

ROY JOHNK

DELEGATE TO STATE CONVENT.

MARGIE MAYBECK

NORMA COLE

ROY JOHNK

DEMOCRAT

EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR

4 RAY BURTON

1 MARK BLOTHER

STATE REPRESENTATIVE

3 MARGIE MAYBECK

1 HAROLD MAYBECK

SHERIFF

1 DOUG DUTILE

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FICTIONAL CHARACTERS ARE NOT LISTED, PER MODERATOR THE INCOMPLETE NAMES AND ILLEGIBLE NAMES ARE NOT LISTED.

GENERAL ELECTION - NOVEMBER 7, 2006

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Ashland in the County of Grafton,
New Hampshire:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Ashland School Gymnasium, 27
Highland Street on Tuesday, the seventh day of November 2006. The polls will
be open between the hours of 8 AM and 7 PM to act upon the following
subjects:

To bring in your votes for Governor, United State Representative, Executive
Councilor, State Senator, State Representative and County Officers.

To bring in your votes on Questions relating to Constitutional Amendments as
proposed by the 2006 General Court.

Given under our hands and seal, this 16 day of October, in the year of
Our Lord two thousand and six.

Glenn R. Dion
Jeanette I. Stewart
Daniel P. Golden
Beth Bartlett
October 16, 2006

Selectmen of Ashland

We hereby certify that we gave notice to the inhabitants within named, to meet at the
time and place and for the purpose within mentioned, by posting an attested copy of the above
Warrant at the place of meeting and at the office of the Town or City Clerk or City Hall on
the 16 day of October, 2006.

Glenn R. Dion
Jeanette I. Stewart
Daniel P. Golden
Beth Bartlett
October 16, 2006

Selectmen of Ashland

Moderator Pro Tem A. Caroline Gosse opened the polls at 8 AM. It was announced that
Absentee Ballots were cast at 1PM. Election officials present Moderator Pro Tem A. Caroline
Gosse, Town Clerk Patricia Tucker, Supervisors of the Checklist Douglas Ober, Beverly Ober,
MaryAnn Reinholz, Ballot Clerks Margaret Duguay, Josephine Brown, Eleanor Lyford, David
Ruell, Selectmen Daniel Golden, Richard Bagge, Jeanette I. Stewart, Beth Bartlett, Glenn Dion.


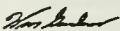


The polls were closed at 7PM. The Board of Selectmen, Town Clerk and Linda Guyotte
were ballot counters.

Statistics

End of day total number on checklist - 1272

Total Votes Cast - 647

Percentage - 51%

 STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE RETURN OF VOTES ASHLAND GENERAL ELECTION November 7, 2006  SECRETARY OF STATE	DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES STRAIGHT TICKET  For all candidates of this party fill in the oval	REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES STRAIGHT TICKET  For all candidates of this party fill in the oval	
FOR GOVERNOR Vote for not more than ONE	JOHN LYNCH 471	"JIM" COBURN 168	
FOR REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS Vote for not more than ONE	PAUL W. HODES 297	CHARLES BASS 323	17 "KEN" BLEVENS LIBERTARIAN
FOR EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR Vote for not more than ONE	MARK BLOTNER 227	RAYMOND S. BURTON 387	
FOR STATE SENATOR Vote for not more than ONE	DEBORAH R. REYNOLDS 333	CARL R. JOHNSON 286	
FOR STATE REPRESENTATIVES Vote for not more than THREE (3)	"SID" LOVETT 323	HAROLD MAYBECK 280	
	JENNIFER MITCHELL 271	MARGIE MAYBECK 297	
	PHILIP PRESTON 336	BURTON W. WILLIAMS 247	
FOR SHERIFF Vote for not more than ONE	GEORGE E. MORRIS 273	DOUGLAS R. OUTILE 319	
FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY Vote for not more than ONE	RICARDO "RICK" ST. HILAIRE 582	RICARDO "RICK" ST. HILAIRE	
FOR COUNTY TREASURER Vote for not more than ONE	CAROL A. ELLIOTT 590	CAROL A. ELLIOTT	
FOR REGISTER OF DEEDS Vote for not more than ONE	"BILL" SHARP 295	JOEL A. DUPUIS 284	
FOR REGISTER OF PROBATE Vote for not more than ONE	REBECCA R. WYMAN 581	REBECCA R. WYMAN	
FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER Vote for not more than ONE	MARTHA B. RICHARDS 340	"BILL" GABLER 266	

Questions Relating to Constitutional Amendments Proposed by the 2006 General Court

Question No. 1 YES 506 NO 57

Question No. 2 YES 379 NO 150

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE RETURN OF VOTES

At the General Election in

Ashland

(Town or City)

(Ward)

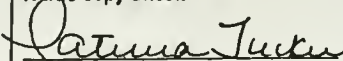
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TOWN OF ASHLAND
DEPARTMENT
REPORTS

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT - 2006

*Submitted by Richard J. Alpers, Town Administrator
ralpers@ashland.nh.gov*

It is with great pleasure that I present my annual report to the residents of Ashland for the year 2006. This past year was a year of challenge for the Town. The main test was the increase in the Tax Rate. I would like to thank those individuals who have stopped by the Town Office to inquire first hand as to why the rate increased. I encourage all citizens of Ashland to come to the Board of Selectmen's meetings or stop by Town Hall on a regular basis to find out what's happening in your Town. The dedicated Town Hall Staff is more than happy to sit with you at anytime to go over Town Business.

There are a few reasons as to why the tax rate increased significantly.

First, the Selectman had no unreserved fund balance or "surplus" from previous years to put towards decreasing the tax rate. You ask why? For many years now the Selectman have been using fund balance surplus to reduce the tax rate. This fund balance surplus was used to reduce the Town's portion of the tax rate. When it came time this past October to set the tax rate, the Selectmen did not have any fund balance surplus to reduce the tax burden. The Selectmen would have needed a fund balance surplus of roughly \$500,000 to keep the tax rate the same as the year before. The fund balance surplus just wasn't there.

Second, back in 2005 the Town voted by warrant article to increase the Elderly Tax Exemption. This much needed exemption gives qualifying taxpayers some relief which is made up in the over all tax base. When you raise or add exemptions you are not making taxes disappear, but rather you are dispersing the taxes among the other taxpayers throughout the Town that do not qualify for an exemption.

Third, the Town Budget increased \$100,000 from 2005 to 2006. This added approximately 55 cents on the tax rate. The Town portion of your tax rate represents about 40%.

Fourth, the Schools budget has grown significantly over the years. Your School tax rate is comprised of the Ashland Elementary School and Pemi Baker Regional High School. The school portion represents about 50 % of your tax rate. To the school districts credit, the State keeps lowering the amount of education funding it sends to these school districts. These credits would have helped offset the expense to the Ashland taxpayers.

The above four reasons account for most of the major increase in the tax rate. Some other factors may be increases in your County Tax and State School Tax payments, decrease in general revenues and approved warrant articles add to your tax rate.

Residents ask, "What are we doing to prevent increases from happening year after year". I can only speak to the Town's portion of your tax rate. The Town 2007 proposed budget is \$30,000 less than the 2006 operating budget. We are doing everything we can to increase general revenues. We are doing our best to stabilize the rate for the coming year.

You may ask what the Selectmen have on the docket for the upcoming year as projects. Some of the continuing projects are:

- Replacement of the ramp at the Town Beach
- Analyze our ambulance contracts with the Town of Plymouth
- Reviewing health care costs to reduce the burden on the taxpayers
- Working with the Ashland School Board to find ways to help reduce expenses

This is just a sampling of what is on the horizon. Every day new projects arise and one way the Selectmen hope to communicate to you all more efficiently is through a quarterly newsletter. Remember to check your mailboxes for your first newsletter.

On another note the Board of Selectmen and this office continue to work hard for all the citizens of the Town. I would like to take the opportunity to thank Laura, Patsy and Jen for all the hard work and time they put in to help this Town be successful. I would also like to thank all the Departments Heads and the employees of the Town for working hard and for providing the services and meeting the needs of the community. One area that often goes unnoticed is our volunteer boards. To the citizens that sit on our Planning Board, Zoning Board, Budget Committee, Conservation Commission, Park and Recreation Committee, I would like to thank you very much for all you do. It's folks like our volunteers that help make our Town succeed day in and day out.

Again, I encourage all citizens of the Town to stop by Town Hall on a regular basis to find out what's happening in your Town. If you can't make it here during the day please try and make it to the next Selectmen's meeting to listen in. Hope to see you all soon.

***** The Board of Selectmen meet on the first and third Monday's of the month at 7 PM at the Ashland Elementary School Library.***

ASHLAND WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT – 2006

Submitted by Commissioners Robert Boyle, Ernest Paquette, Andrew Dame

This year we had to replace our 1972 high-pressure pipeline clean truck. It was too costly to keep getting inspected and to maintain. A new portable unit was purchased that was a demo, which saved us a lot of money.

- ✓ A new sewer line and replacement of the water line on Hill Avenue was completed.
- ✓ A Septage Feasibility is being done at the present time for a dumping station at the Sewer Plant.
- ✓ We are also working on a plan to do Cross Road with a new sewer line and replace an old 2" water line.
- ✓ The department paid for a new water line and yard hydrant at the Ashland Ball Park for the 4th of July.
- ✓ Fixed a water main break on Route 3B by the railroad
- ✓ Replaced 600 feet of sewer line on Highland Street, as the line was not viable anymore

AQUARION SERVICES

CONTRACTED BY THE TOWN OF ASHLAND TO RUN WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT

Russell Cross Jr., Superintendent

The following projects were completed by Aquarion in 2006:

- ✓ Repairs to surge control valve at the water plant
- ✓ Completed chlorine conversion from gas to liquid
- ✓ Replaced chlorine analyzer at water plant
- ✓ Cut and chipped brush at the wastewater treatment plant, water tower and sewer line easements
- ✓ Raised gate valves on Main Street, Depot Street, Riverside Drive for paving
- ✓ Flushed hydrants and distribution system in May
- ✓ Installed new water line and yard hydrants at the ball park
- ✓ Install new windows and overhead garage doors in truck bays at the wastewater plant
- ✓ Flush sewer mains throughout the Town
- ✓ Install new blow off hydrant at the Ball Park
- ✓ Install three new water service lines
- ✓ Repaired three water main leaks

PARKS AND RECREATION - 2006

Submitted by Director James R. Gleich

Programming:

Ashland Parks and Recreation has had another wonderful year. The year started off with the continuation of our "Hope it Floats Program, Boat Building with Children". This past year the children built Skin-On-Frame canoes, lightweight stable boats. A special thank you is extended to Steve Sharps, Dick Folsom, and the Morrell Family for all of the wonderful donations of time and materials for this program. It is this type of community effort that makes this program and other programs successful.

Working in conjunction with the Ashland Town Library, Ashland Parks and Recreation continues its efforts to offer free introductory computer classes every Tuesday. The turn out for this program continues to grow. We have even started to offer classes on Mondays to help accommodate potential students.

Ashland Parks and Recreation has been working closely with the Lakes Region Community Service Council (LRCSC) to help provide opportunities for Ashland town residents, as-well-as area community members working with LRCSC to participate in social and community based activities. These activities include but are not limited to the following: baking classes, exercise classes, and social gatherings.

The Summer Day Camp Program continued to grow and develop as one the areas busiest camps. The summer camp had 70 campers registered. Our Summer Camp Staff did an outstanding job with all of the children under the guidance of Summer Camp Head Counselor Diane Hill. We are looking forward to another great camp season with the anticipation of many returning camp staff. I would like to thank all of the counselors and staff for all of their great work.

With help from a successful summer program, our After School Program has remained consistent with 21 students registered at the start of the school year. In addition, Lisa Fligg has returned as the "After School Program Assistant." Her dedication to the program and students clearly make her a valuable part of the staff at Ashland Parks and Recreation. Lisa is about to embark onto the next stage of her teaching experience, student teaching. She will be taking her leave from the After School Program, but she will be visiting the program as time permits. *Good luck Lisa and thank you for all that you have done this year.*

Throughout the year many Ashland residents participated in numerous programs sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Department. These activities included movie field trips, holiday parties, bowling, computer classes (co-sponsored by the Ashland Town Library), and more. Many of these programs will be repeated in 2007 due to their popularity. If you would like to see a particular program in Ashland, just let me know and I will try my best to bring it to life.

November had brought closure to an era within our department. Ray Knowlton, the Ashland Parks and Recreation Grounds Keeper, had locked away his lawn tractor, hung up his straw hat, and turned in his keys retiring his position. We have been blessed by his dedication and grit over the past years. Ray has set a high standard of quality for the Ashland Athletic Fields and Beach, one that has been noticed throughout the region. On behalf of the Ashland Parks and Recreation Department, I would like to wish Ray Knowlton the best of luck in the years to come. You will be missed by all.

Campground & Beach

The campground and beach had another great season. The Edward Doggett Campground was at full capacity again this past year. All 23 sites were filled and well used this past summer. We are looking forward to another packed summer at the campground.

The Ashland Town Beach was a blur of activity during the summer. Increased number of patrons at the beach and high water in the lake made for a busy season for all. Even the

waterfowl enjoyed the beach swim area this past summer. Increased number of ducks, gulls, and cormorants late in summer forced the beach to close for a whole week due to high levels of E.coli. Measures are being taken to help prevent this from happening next year.

The "Snack Shack" concession booth was a big hit again this past summer. I would like to take the opportunity to thank all of the lifeguards and beach staff for all of their long hours and dedication to the beach and the beach patrons.

Facilities Updates:

Throughout 2006 many of our facilities have been involved in some type of renovation or refurbishment. All of these improvements have helped to increase the quality of our buildings but also the quality of our programming available to the community. Proposed improvements for 2007 are as follows:

- Upgrading the Parks and Recreation facilities to meet ADA requirements.
- Painting the Booster Club in late August.
- Preventive maintenance with the removal and replacement of some older trees from the Edward N. Doggett campground.

Many thanks need to go out to all the members of the community who had helped make these repairs and programs possible. Without all of your help, contributions of time, effort, and donations these repairs and upkeep would be impossible. My thanks to Raymond Knowlton, Mark Ober, Lee Nichols, all of the gentlemen at the Highway, Electric, Water and Sewer Department, and for all of the ladies in the Utilities Office for your assistance with the various projects throughout the year. Last but not least, I would like to thank Rick, Laura, Patsy, and Jen for everything they have helped me with throughout the year. Your assistance really makes a difference.

Community Involvement:

There are many ways for you (residents of Ashland) to become involved within Parks & Recreation:

- Attend programs
- Volunteer some of your time to help an activity happen.
- Suggest or teach a class of interest
- Chaperone a trip
- Sponsor a camper
- Become a counselor at the summer program
- Serve on the Parks and Recreation Committee.
- Be a concerned citizen and let us know if you notice something out of the ordinary.
- Think of us when you are cleaning out those attics, garages, playrooms, and basements. (Many thanks to the individuals who did this in 2006; your donations helps make many of our programs possible)
- Donate some time to help build something
- Serve as a handyman.

These are just a few ways in which individuals can become a part of our Parks and Recreation program. The more people get involved, the more the Ashland Community can grow. Help us bring even more diverse programs to your community. Help us grow to meet the needs of our great community. Many thanks to everyone whom helped make the 2006-year possible. Let us all make 2007 an even better year.

ASHLAND ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT - 2006

*Submitted by Commissioners Raymond Knowlton, Melvin Holland, Kendall L. Hughes
and Superintendent Lee V. Nichols*

Ashland Electric saw a couple of changes during 2006. Ernest Hutter resigned in December 2006. He has been a commissioner since April 2001. We wish to thank Mr. Hutter for all his time and effort in helping your Electric Department continue to offer service and the lowest rates possible. Welcome aboard Kendall L. Hughes who replaces Mr. Hutter as commissioner. Mr. Hughes, as an ex-commissioner, offers knowledge of the Electric Department.

Jeff Hladyk joined the Electric Department staff in October. We feel his energetic style will be an asset to the department.

During the course of 2006, 14 new meters were set, 895 feet of secondary wire and 5,543 feet of primary were installed.

We thank you for your continuing support and wish all a prosperous New Year.

SCRIBNER MEMORIAL LIBRARY - 2006

Submitted by Trustees Alice Staples, Julia Smith, Lynn Davis

The Ashland Town Library continued to be a major service provider for the citizens of Ashland in 2006. 181 new patrons were issued library cards, bringing the total to 1,562. Over 10,000 visits were made to the library in 2006, and there were 1,850 users of the public access computers. Over 15,000 items were checked out.

Considering that the library is open only 25 hours a week, the above statistics speak volumes about the dedication of the staff, and the need for more hours. Three part time employees manage to run the library, and plan and execute many special programs.

The library and staff participated in many town activities, sponsoring "Meet the Candidates Night" before the elections in February, participating in the children's Halloween Parade in October, and hosting visits with Santa Claus during "Christmas Night in Ashland." Of special note is the "Bike Safety Day" that was organized by the library staff and included participation from the Police Department, Fire Department, Parks & Recreation, and the Modern Woodmen of America.

The Summer Reading program, "Treasure Reading", was a great success. Special events included a visit from Fungo, the mascot for the New Hampshire Fisher Cats, Mr. Phil, a magician, and Marty Kelly, New Hampshire children's author/illustrator. Larry Bartlett and the Wood Depot donated wooden boats for the "paint your own boat" activity, and the D'Ambruoso family donated ice cream and supplies for the Ice Cream Sundae party at the end of the summer.

Also this summer, children from the Parks and Recreation Kindercamp visited the library on a regular basis. The children in the Parks and Recreation After School Program were regular visitors throughout the year. Of the 104 programs offered this year, popular programs included scrapbooking, knitting, game night, and book discussion groups. Jim Gleich continued to offer Computer Classes at the library as well.

The Friends of the Library continued their support for the library and its activities by hosting a book and bake sale and silent auction on the July 4th weekend. Proceeds from the sale were used to purchase the American Symbols Series and the American Holidays Series of children's books, PBS and BBC videos, and the renewal of the four-person library pass to the Canterbury Shaker Village. The Friends also helped out with Christmas Night in Ashland; one individual purchased a Polaroid camera and film for the pictures with Santa Claus, and homemade treats were provided. The Friends are always looking for new members. Contact the Ashland Town Library if you are interested in joining the Friends in their support of the library. The success of the library depends on all the volunteers that donate time, energy and funds throughout the year, and they are greatly appreciated for all their hard work.

Space issues continue to be a concern for the Ashland Town Library. The children's collection is partially shelved on book trucks because there is no more shelf space in the Children's Room. Four public access computers are crowded into small corners, with no space to spread out papers, etc. The town should begin now to consider expanding space for the library in the near future.

The Board of Trustees of Ashland Town Library would like to especially thank the very hard-working library staff, Sara Weinberg, Terry Fouts and Noreen Crawford. All of the above mentioned accomplishments are due to their commitment to bring the best possible service and information resources to the citizens of Ashland.

This year the Ashland Town Library said good-bye to a long-time trustee and library advocate, Jill Mudgett. Jill served on the board of trustees for six years, and served as chair and treasurer for quite a few of those years. The library staff and trustees thank Jill for her many years of dedicated service!

Ashland Town Library

2006 Financial Report

Special Funds

Carolyne Boyle Memorial Fund

Balance 12/31/05	\$1,172.36
Deposits	\$0.00
Interest Earned	\$1.45
Withdrawals	<u>\$277.35</u>
Ending Balance 12/31/06	<u>\$896.46</u>

Copier Fees

Balance 12/31/05	\$450.24
Deposits	\$331.00
Interest Earned	\$1.34
Withdrawals	<u>\$378.34</u>
Ending Balance 12/31/06	<u>\$404.24</u>

Patron Fees

Balance 12/31/05	\$1,155.02
Deposits	\$458.00
Interest Earned	\$2.70
Withdrawals	<u>\$799.99</u>
Ending Balance 12/31/06	<u>\$815.73</u>

Cheney Fund

Balance 12/31/05	\$256.01
Deposits	\$304.00
Interest Earned	\$0.02
Withdrawals	<u>\$66.50</u>
Ending Balance 12/31/06	<u>\$493.53</u>

Pauline Packard Memorial Fund

Balance 12/31/05	\$69.89
Ending Balance 12/31/06	<u>\$69.89</u>

Fundraising

Balance 12/31/05	\$637.90
Deposits	\$773.05
Interest Earned	\$2.69
Withdrawals	<u>\$0.00</u>
Ending Balance 12/31/06	<u>\$1,413.64</u>

Harriet Addison Fund

Balance 12/31/05	\$124.87
Ending Balance 12/31/06	<u>\$124.87</u>

Ordway Fund

Balance 12/31/05	\$194.83
Deposits	\$304.00
Interest Earned	\$0.00
Withdrawals	<u>\$66.50</u>
Ending Balance 12/31/06	<u>\$432.33</u>

Income

Beginning Balance

Town Appropriations	\$48,337.00	\$1,911.78
Caroline Boyle Mem.	\$277.35	
Copier Fees	\$87.98	
Gifts Received	\$60.38	
Interest Income	\$5.05	
Other Income	\$600.57	
Patron Fees	\$844.87	
Rebates	\$20.00	
Education Refund	\$40.00	
Scribner Trustees	\$50.00	
Total Income		\$52,234.98

Expenses

Audios	\$1,267.78
Bank Charges	\$500.57
Books	\$7,118.46
Collection Supplies	\$242.72
Dues	\$60.00
Education	\$250.00
Equipment	\$879.91
Mileage	\$208.59
Office Supplies	\$238.57
Payroll	\$26,102.18
Postage	\$185.00
Printing Expense	\$69.00
Programs	\$583.87
Software	\$378.52
Subscriptions	\$375.28
Supplies	\$1,002.23
Taxes	\$5,575.22
Tech Support	\$395.00
Utilities	\$1,644.17
Videos	<u>\$1,053.12</u>
Total Expenses	<u>\$48,130.19</u>

Funds on Hand 12/31/06 **\$4,104.79**

2006 ASHLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Submitted by: Joe Chivell, Chief of Police

As 2006 has come to an end we can reflect back on an interesting year at the Ashland Police Department. The year started with an incident that truly tested the resources of the Department and its members.

During the early morning hours we received reports of two arsons and a related emergency medical call that had occurred within minutes of each other. An individual had allegedly acted in retaliation against two other victims by setting fire to an apartment and a mobile home and assaulted one of the occupants by attempting to set that person on fire.

The quick action of Lt. Don Marren and Sgt. Rowe enabled us to determine that the person alleged to have committed these acts had fled the area. While the Ashland Fire Department attended to the fire scenes, Lt. Marren and Sgt. Rowe were able to conduct interviews with the alleged victims, which led us to an area that the alleged perpetrator could be located.

Lt. Marren and I, aided by the Central New Hampshire Special Operations Unit, worked at the scene that was to be searched for the alleged perpetrator. Sgt. Rowe stayed with the victims conducting interviews. Officers Paquette and Lyford secured the fire scenes.

This incident resulted in executing a search warrant to seize and arrest the individual involved. He is pending trial in the Grafton County Superior Court on several felony level charges.

That was the start of things to come. Over the year two officers were assaulted requiring them to be transported to Speare Hospital. One incident has been resolved resulting in jail time of the individual that assaulted the officer, the second case is still pending in Superior Court.

I would like to thank the officers of this agency for going out on duty every day. They answer calls as simple as a barking dog and then go on a call that could result in serious injury, yes even here in our nice small North Country town.

Some additions and training accomplishments need to be noted. Sgt. Steve Rowe came to Ashland this year. He had spent several years as a School Resource Officer in Northwood. He will be able to bring that background to the youth of our town.

Officer Chris Paquette also joined the Ashland Police Department as a full-time member. Chris had worked here part-time while also being a full-time officer with the State of New Hampshire Liquor Commission.

Officer Joshua Tenley has recently been sworn in as a Part-Time Officer. Officer Tenley completed the New Hampshire Part-Time Officer Academy and is currently taking part in our in-house training.

Officer Jamie Lyford continues to provide solid support to this department as a Part-Time Officer. He stands ready to fill in as needed without any hesitation.

Officer Angela Bergeron graduated from the full-time Police Academy this fall.

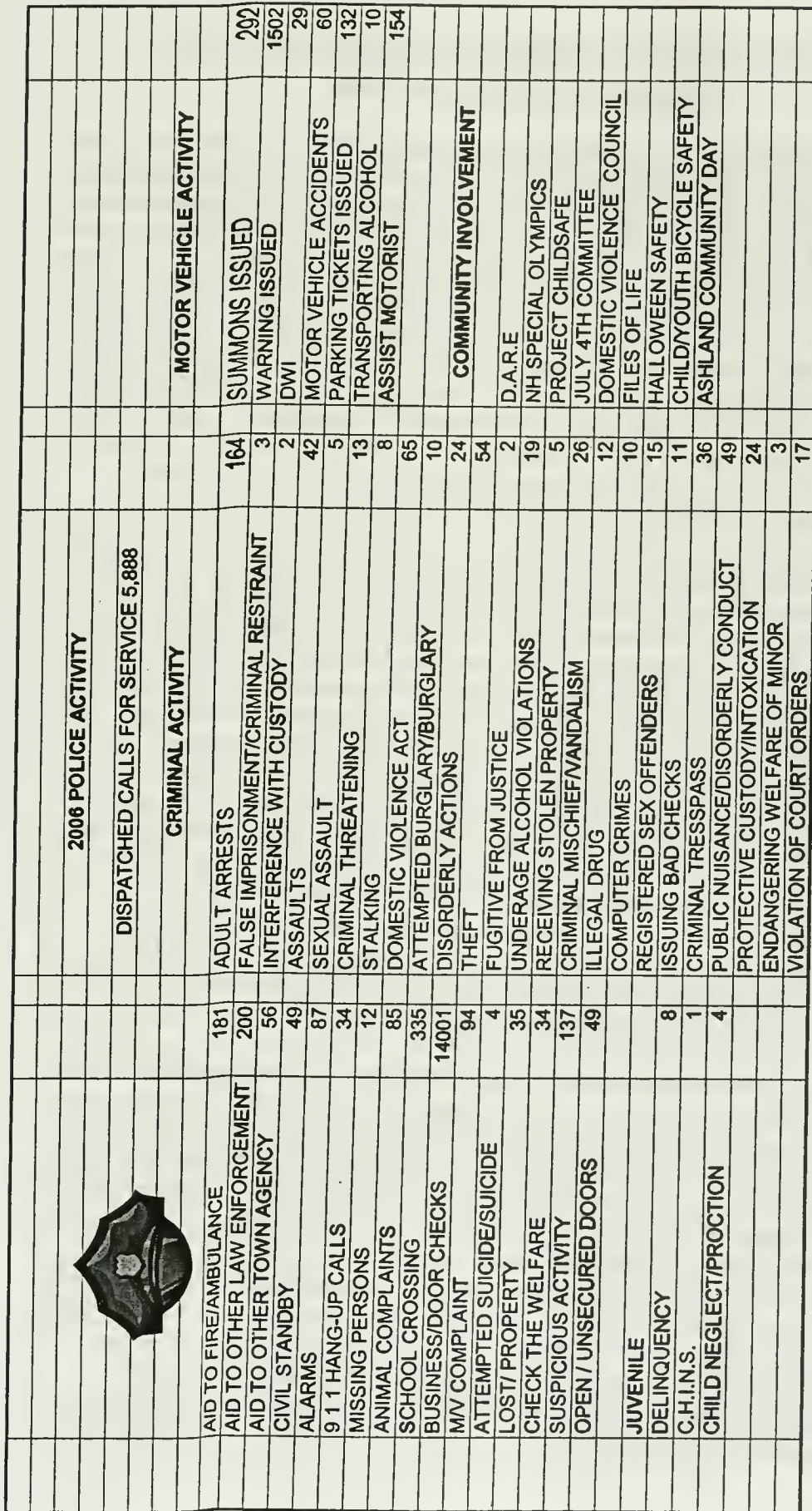
Officer Dan Hamilton completed the State of New Hampshire Firearms Instructor class this summer. Almost half the class could not meet the requirements needed to graduate the training, but Officer Hamilton did and was in the top three of the class.

Lt. Marren continues to be the anchor of this Department. During the year he successfully completed several Supervisory classes. He also became the supervisor of all Negotiators for the Central New Hampshire Special Operations Team.

Officer Joe DeLuca has completed another successful DARE Program with the children of Ashland Elementary.

I would like to thank all the employees of the Town of Ashland for their continued cooperation and support over the past year.

I would also like to thank the residents of Ashland for their understanding and support of the Ashland Police Department. You allow us to be successful in our duties.



ASHLAND FIREFIGHTERS ANNUAL REPORT – 2006

Submitted by Bradley A. Ober, President

It can be said that an organization's members are its heartbeat. Well I can proudly say that the heartbeat of the Ashland Firefighters' Association is strong and healthy! The members of the Ashland Firefighters' Association continue to dedicate countless hours toward the support of the Association and our Mission Statement. From this support and dedication our Association is as strong and active as ever. We have worked hard to continue our fundraising efforts, which has enabled us to meet our goals and objectives. In the last few years we have dedicated our time and effort to four annual fundraisers, which include, the Rabies Clinic (sponsored by Northern Lakes Veterinary Clinic), Annual Golf Tournament held at Waukegan Golf Course, Sandwich Fair Blanket Sales and Christmas Tree Sales at the Fire Department. The community's continued support of our Association is greatly appreciated.

The Ashland Firefighters' Association continues to support the Ashland Fire Department largely with equipment purchases and building improvements. During 2006 we completed many large projects that had been started in the previous two to three years. The apparatus room has been re-painted, new lockers for each firefighter were built and installed, the department's new suburban was equipped with emergency audible and visual warning equipment and vehicle lettering, each firefighter was issued flashlights, a Note Vision Projector was installed for training presentations, exercise equipment for cardiovascular and weight training and two new Automatic External Defibrillators were purchased and installed on apparatus. In addition to these projects we also provide all duty uniforms to our firefighters and officers. In total the Association has contributed approximately \$20,000.00 for the support of the Ashland Fire Department in 2006 and thousands of dollars and man-hours since our Association was established. Our goal is to maintain our fundraising efforts, enabling us to continue with the support of our mission statement.

The largest community based project that we have adopted is the Ice Rink. We have been struggling to find a permanent home for the rink and continue in that search. We had originally thought the Tennis Courts would be the perfect spot. However we discovered an elevation difference of over one foot from the front to the rear of the courts. Because of the elevation difference it was very difficult to maintain quality ice throughout the rink, we are now back to our original location. We are working on a proposal that may be beneficial to many different interest groups and hopefully provide a permanent location for the Ice Rink. This year we were awarded \$5,000.00 from the Meredith Village Savings Bank to be used toward the Ice Rink. We are hopeful that the Selectmen will approve our proposal. After final approval is granted fundraising efforts for this project will be launched, hopefully during the spring of 2007.

ASHLAND HISTORICAL SOCIETY 2006

Submitted by David Ruell, President

2006 was a significant year for the Ashland Historical Society. Perhaps the most important change was the adoption of a new administrative structure, going from most decisions being made at business meetings by the general membership, to a Board of Directors taking care of the regular business of the Society. An extensive revision of the constitution and the Bylaws was adopted at the June meeting, after months of discussion. The revisions became effective after the annual meeting in November, which elected the new board, consisting of five officers elected annually and six directors elected for staggered three-year terms. The general members will choose the board members and can still override their decisions or instruct them to take specific actions by votes at the annual or special meetings. But, in general, the Board of Directors will now conduct most of the society's business.

This year, the society separated its business meetings from its program meetings, holding four of each. The programs included two well-received living history performers, portraying Molly Ockett and John James Audubon, as well as talks on researching the history of a house and on the Squam Lake Grange Fairs, held in Ashland from 1906 through 1909. (To improve future programs, the Society joined the Ashland Woman's Club in the purchase of a sound system.) The Pauline E. Glidden Toy Museum also held three special programs for its volunteers and supporters. The Toy Museum again sponsored its summertime children's events, the Young Ladies Tea and a Boys Day. Fundraisers included two dinners for the general fund, the Lobster Dinner in Memorial Park in August, and the Dinner in a Bowl at the Booster Clubhouse in October. The Railroad Station Museum ran its annual turkey dinner train ride on Veterans Day. The Toy Museum held an Appraisal Day, with a Food and Treasure sale in July, and its Christmas Party in December. The Toy Museum also continued its museum gift shop featuring toys, and ran a sales booth at the Lakes Region Doll Show in August.

The cataloging of our collections and archives continued. Christine Schilling, Dr. George Hoyt Whipple's granddaughter, gave the Society an important collection of documents and photographs of Dr. Whipple and his family. The Meredith Village Savings Bank donated the Ashland Savings Bank depositors' book, listing all the bank's depositors from 1872-1934. A large photographic portrait of Dr. Whipple was sent away for needed conservation.

The Whipple House Museum featured a major exhibit this summer on Ashland doctors, from 1868 to the present. Four small exhibits of copies of historic photographs were displayed throughout the year in the Utility Office, on Ashland's mills, the Squam Lake Grange Fairs, Ashland bands, and early vehicles on Ashland's roads. Two one-day exhibits of such photos were also shown, on the Squam River at Day on the Town, and on the Railroad in Ashland at Christmas Night. The Toy Museum went further afield with its programs, visiting groups in Center Harbor and Nashua.

Physical improvements and repairs were made on the properties the Society maintains. Dan Vaughn painted the Whipple House parlor. A dehumidifier was installed in the first story and more electric outlets in the second story. Two portable heaters were purchased for the Whipple House. The Toy Museum improved its

heating system by putting the outside kerosene tank on a sound concrete base and moving the monitor heater from the basement to the main level. A larger sign was mounted on the front of the Toy Museum.

For some years, a project to install a siding at the Railroad Station Museum for the display of historic railroad equipment and/or the rental of spaces for cabooses has been researched and discussed. In November, the Society approved a scaled down project, the installation of a sixty-foot siding as funds become available. Volunteers cleared trees and stumps in the path of the siding in December. Caboose space rentals will require town and state approvals. But, the Society hopes that the rentals will provide a source of income in the future.

For some years, the Society has been promoting the preservation of the old elementary school, one of Ashland's most important historical and architectural landmarks. At this writing in mid December, Tri County Community Action Program was on the verge of finalizing the purchase of the property from the Ashland School District, having secured the funds, by gift and loan, for the basic renovation of the building. More fund raising will however be needed to complete the project to convert the building into a home for Headstart and other community service programs. But, it does now appear that this important building will be saved and will continue its service to the town.

As always, we must thank the many volunteers and donors, whose time, money and effort have made it possible for the Ashland Historical Society to continue its museums, programs and projects.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT – 2006

Submitted by Mark W. Ober, Road Agent

The Highway Department continues to take care of the duties of the department as well as assisting all other departments in town. When called upon, we are always willing to assist if possible.

This year the budget allowed us to pave the following streets:

- Short Street
- Church Street
- Reed Street
- A section of Cottage Street
- A section of Hillside Avenue

We combined efforts with the Water and Sewer Department by paving Hill Avenue following the completion of new water and sewer lines. This was a great improvement to this area of our community.

Plowing, salting, sanding, and general maintenance is a large part of our jobs during the year.

TRANSFER/RECYCLING CENTER – 2006

Submitted by Mark W. Ober

RECYCLING IS WORKING!!! The proof is in the figures – in 2005 we hauled 800 tons of rubbish; in 2006 to date we hauled 626 tons. **IF YOU ARE PART OF THIS ACCOMPLISHMENT, GIVE YOURSELF A PAT ON THE BACK.** If you have failed to participate we hope that 2007 is the year that you will begin.

There is still disturbing figures with the construction/demolition debris. We are still in the 300-ton range. We need to work harder on this for 2007.

We have realized revenue from approximately 300 tons of recycled materials.

We will have some new fees for items being processed at the center starting in 2007. We will only be charging for materials/items that cost the town to process and remove. We have removed some of the items that had been previously on the list.

Remember if you need assistance, ASK, the attendants are there to assist in any way that they can.

LAND USE BOARDS – 2006

Submitted by Laura Plummer, Board Liaison

2006 has been a year of land use activity in the town. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the volunteers that make up the Ashland Planning and Zoning Boards. They have done an outstanding job to make applications for site plans, subdivisions, boundary line adjustments, special exceptions and variances move forward without difficulty. We have listed the boards' activity below. I would also like to thank Patricia Tucker for all her assistance over the past year.

The Planning Board meets regularly the first and third Wednesday of the month. The first Wednesday is the hearing date and we hold work sessions on the third Wednesday of the month. The Board has the task of producing a Master Plan for the Town of Ashland. This is a very cumbersome project and will take a great deal of combined effort on the part of the citizens of Ashland. Please watch for notices that will most likely be asking for assistance in producing this document.

The Zoning Board meets on an as needed basis, for the purpose of reviewing requests for variances and special exceptions to the town land use ordinances.

Both Boards have openings for full time or alternate positions. The town office staff can assist you with any questions that you have concerning the responsibilities of the respective boards.

- Two lot Subdivision approval for Tax Map 012-004-001
- Boundary line adjustment for Tax Map 012-002-006 and 012-005-022
- Site Plan Approval for Tax Map 004-002-032-001
- Site Plan Approval for Tax Map 016-003-001
- Boundary line adjustment for Tax Map 012-003-001 and 012-003-008
- Boundary line adjustment for Tax Map 015-003-003
- Two lot Subdivision for Tax Map 010-003-014
- Site Plan Approval for Tax Map 004-002-032
- Boundary line adjustment for Tax Map 017-004-015 and 016; 017-008-002 and 003
- Site Plan Approval for Tax Map 016-007-002
- Site Plan Approval for Tax Map 004-002-001
- Site Plan Approval for Tax Map 018-002-008
- Site Plan Approval for Tax Map 021-002-009
- Four lot Subdivision Approval for Tax Map 008-001-002
- Site Plan Approval for Tax Map 018-002-008
- Site Plan Approval for Tax Map 004-003-003
- Site Plan Approval for Tax Map 017-004-006 / 017-008-002
- Variance Granted for lot size Map 012-004-001
- Variance Granted to relax density requirement Tax Map 016-003-007
- Special Exception granted for home occupation to commercial status Tax Map 015-002-018
- Variance Denied Tax Map 012-003-008
- Variance Granted – population density Tax Map 004-002-001
- Variance Granted – recreation space Tax Map 004-002-001
- Variance Denied – Tax Map 017-010-003
- Special Exception granted – building use Tax Map 004-001-004
- Variance Granted – frontage/lot size Tax Map 017-004-016 and 017-008-002

ASHLAND TOWN WELFARE REPORT - 2006

(For emergency assistance)
Submitted by Robert B. Hicks

Town welfare dollars for 2006 continue a trend upwards, mainly due to rising housing and fuel costs. Many people who are working or receive state benefits cannot find affordable housing.

A significant problem is family shelters in our area. We have had to send people to Concord and Manchester for shelter. Transporting them and relocating them is never easy. People must be treated with respect and dignity. Over the past years I have seen the costs related to everyday living rise upwards, while welfare funding and Social Security seem to be standing still. An average rent in Ashland is runs anywhere from seven hundred to over a thousand dollars a month. The average Social Security check hardly covers that alone.

The Churches in Ashland and our Community Center, plus other food programs do a great job supplying people in need with food.

Shelter	Food	Elec.	Med.	Fuel	Water	Burial
\$ 17039.01	\$ 1827.01	\$ 5601.29	\$ 759.78	\$ 1328.69	\$365.75	\$ 739.00

\$27660.53 was the total amount, paid in vouchers for emergency assistance. Of that \$17039.01 went for shelter costs. Just over two hundred fifty vouchers were written for emergency assistance.

As welfare director I see first hand the concerns of our citizens for basic needs. We help with information on housing, jobs, and guide clients to the proper agency to provide short and long-term needs.

ASHLAND BUILDING INSPECTOR – 2006

Submitted by Robert B. Hicks

Over Eleven Million Dollars in Building improvements for 2006.

Yet another busy year for building, homeowners are investing in their homes and town by adding on, or fixing up their property.

The totals for 2005 were, 171 permits issued, twelve new housing starts. The total for all permit improvements in Ashland for 2005 was just over five million dollars.

2006 has been a banner year, 180 permits have been issued since January, with 15 new housing starts. The total for all permit improvements in Ashland for 2006 was \$11,285,944.00; the busiest year ever for Ashland.

Maintaining good, safe building and code compliance is what we all want for Ashland. We have a good team with Frank Murdock our Electrical Inspector and Dale Gray our Plumbing Inspector, both quality men, and knowledgeable in their trade.

Inspections and site planning have increased this year, we have received many inquires for building regulations and information regarding new business and zoning. We use The International Building Code 2000, along with our Ashland Building & Zoning Regulations. Our goal is to provide help for Ashland's Residents in their building needs, to administer the regulations as fair and promptly as possible.

The Building Inspector department generated permit charges of \$10,752.29 for 2006.

ASHLAND HISTORIC COMMISSION – 2006

Submitted by Robert B. Hicks and Claire M. Hicks

The Whipple House had several minor repairs, some plaster repair, and plumbing.

Our Historic private cemeteries were maintained for Memorial Day, they are reported in good condition with no physical damage to the monuments.

The oldest burial ground in Ashland is Church Hill. This cemetery was the first town cemetery for Holderness and Ashland. The earliest pioneers rest at this location. During the eighteenth century Hicks Hill Road continued over the summit to Church Hill, crossing North Ashland Rd to Plymouth. This was the original settlement; there were several log homes on this road. One of the first three selectman, Charles Cox is buried there, along with Margaret Hicks, the wife of Joseph Hicks who was also one of the first three, selectmen. A Revolutionary war soldier, Capt. Joseph Shepard also rests there.

Most of the settlement was from the Durham, Dover area.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION - HISTORY OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE HISTORIC COMMISSION

At the Ashland Town Meeting on March 10, 1970 (Article X) the town voted to accept a gift from Dr. George Whipple of the land and building of the Whipple homestead to be used and maintained as an historical building for the preservation and perpetuation of historical articles and for activities related thereto and to empower the Board of Selectmen to appoint for periods of three years a Historical Commission consisting of three (3) members of the Historical Society, one (1) member at large and one (1) Selectmen ex-officio, this committee to supervise and govern the operation of said property and said three (3) members of the Historical society shall, at the pleasure of the Selectmen, serve their first terms as 1 year, 2 year and 3 year commissioners respectively and that thereafter the Selectmen shall annually appoint a commissioner to serve for a three (3) year term to replace the commissioner whose term has expired, further that the member at large or his successor be appointed to serve for a period of one year annually.

ASHLAND FIRE AND RESCUE DEPARTMENT – 2006

Submitted by Chief Thomas B. Stewart

As the Fire Chief of Ashland for the past three years, and on the department for the past twenty-five years I see an alarming trend. Our town does not have people that have the time to volunteer anymore. When I started on the department twenty-five years ago we had approximately 80 calls a year. Last year alone we had 448 calls for our department. When I started, we went to the call, came back to the station made sure your name was on the list and then went home. Today when you have a call, you come back to the station and then there is ½ to 1 hour of paperwork that needs to be filled out. When I started there was a waiting list of people wanting to get in the department, now we may have 1 or 2 people apply a year and we lose 2 to 3 people a year. The average age in the Fire Department is 38. The men and women that I have in the department have full time jobs, families of their own, and other commitments. But they are still working hard to keep our towns people safe and our taxes low. My personnel are highly skilled and trained. The training they do is done on their own time; the town pays for classes only, not their time. EMT course is over 125 hours and EMTI is an additional 125 hours. On the firefighting side Fire Fighter 1 is approximately 100 hours and Fire Fighter 2 is another 80 hours of additional time. So as you can see these people are very committed to our town. Most of the people that I speak with are not interested in being away from their families for that amount of time. So I would like to take this time to thank all my personnel because without their commitment we wouldn't have a department. Last year we tried to get a fulltime Fire Chief position in the town but it failed. This year we are going to try for it again, and hopefully the town's people will allow this to happen. This position is something that is highly needed for our town to do inspections, fire permits, code enforcement, paperwork and have someone available during the day. We are still having a hard time for Ashland's ambulance to respond during the day. Changes are in the works for 2007 in the medical fields. The Town of Plymouth has decided to charge more money to be listed on the ambulance contract. Right now there are 6 towns on the contract: Ashland, Plymouth, Campton, Thornton, Rumney and Holderness. In 2006 you would call for the ambulance and due to the contract Plymouth's ambulance would transport you to Speare at a cost of \$0.00. As of January 2007 your insurance will be charged for each and every transport. So as you can see this is going to be a large increase to those who need the service. If one of the contracted towns decides to break off, the remaining towns will then divide the costs of the contract. We have been talking to other towns to see what can be done to keep the costs down. After talking with other private ambulance services, we have realized that Plymouth's costs are still lower than any other ambulance service.

ASHLAND CONSERVATION COMMISSION -2006

Submitted by Rulh Knapp, Chairman and Anne Allen

The Ashland Conservation Commission continues to meet on the first Wednesday of the month at 7 PM at the Town Office. We sometimes meet the 3rd Wednesday at 7 PM if business or mail needs attention. Meetings are open to the public and we appreciate your support.

The Conservation Commission joined the Pemi River Local Advisory Committee, a newly formed group with a focus on procedures to update the 2001 Management Plan.

A project on Depot Street called "Brook Village" with site plan was presented to the Conservation Commission for review.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION – HISTORY OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

- ❑ March 14, 1987, Article 5, the Town voted to adopt the provisions of RSA 36A
- ❑ March 14, 1987, Article 5, the Town voted to establish a five-member Conservation Commission in accordance with NH RSA 36A
- ❑ March 16, 1995, Article 14, the Town authorized the Conservation Commission to henceforth, retain the unexpended balance of its annual appropriation, said funds to be placed in a Conservation Fund as authorized by RSA 36A:5

ASHLAND JULY 4 CELEBRATION – 2006

Submitted by Coordinator Patty Heinz

This year we were fortunate to have two lovely ladies as our Grand Marshals, with a total age of 190 years: Minnie Hughes, 100, and Mary Ruell, 90.

With the assistance of the Electric and Highway Departments we were able to bring electricity to all the vendors on the midway. We were also pleased that we could purchase new flags to decorate many of the town's light poles.

Donations by the Ashland Woman's Club and the American Legion Auxiliary remain at their high level, and many businesses continue to support us generously. The Youth Group of the Ashland Baptist Church earned \$532 for the celebration by renting parking spaces. The Squam Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce did well with the popular 50/50 raffle. The winner generously returned her winnings to the July 4 Committee to support the event. A new ride, in A Hot Air Balloon, was sponsored by Alex Ray. We appreciate all that Alex does for the community.

We are fortunate to have such a dedicated committee, Mary Ruell is once again the treasurer as Hallie Noyes resigned because of illness. Thank you for doing such a professional job, Hallie; you carried on for most of the year.

We thank all who made the Ashland Fourth such a great success.

FINANCIAL REPORT – ASHLAND JULY 4 COMMITTEE - DECEMBER 31, 2006

Balance on hand January 1, 2006	\$18055.73
Interest for year	7.57
Town Patriotic Appropriation	<u>1166.30</u>
	\$19229.60

Income – Donations

Organizations	\$1156.83
Businesses	2395.00
Individuals	<u>150.00</u>
	\$3701.83

Committee Activities

Field Collections	\$2054.71
Button Collection (\$1155 – 385)	770.00
Tee shirt sales (\$1615 – 1187.50)	425.50
Balloon rides/50/50 raffle	1488.75
Vendors	2250.00
Food Events - Barbecue	1000.00
Food Tent	966.60
Pancake Breakfast	3155.00
Less costs	<u>(1000.00)</u>
	\$11110.56

Total Earned	\$14812.39
Total Available	\$34041.99

Expenditures

Fireworks Display	\$8500.00
Parade Units (5)	2150.00
Award Ribbons	129.25
Entertainment/Sound	525.00
Advertising/Publicity	272.00
Appreciation Gifts	150.00
Toilet Facilities	351.25
Postage	39.00
Checkbook	88.60
Special Payments	
Flags for Town Poles	367.38
Electrician for wiring at field	700.00

Total Expenditures	\$13272.48
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Balance, Meredith Village Savings Bank, December 31, 2006	\$20769.51
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ASHLAND MEMORIAL PARK – 2006

Submitted by Trustees Marion Merrill, Chairman, Mary Ruell, Ernest Hutter, Philip Preston

We are pleased that this year we have managed to bring to a head the installation of a maple tree in memory of James Rollins, the designer of the park in 1968. In his will, Jim left \$3,000 and the wish that a columnar maple be planted in the park. Several years ago, with the help of Steve Sweedler, arborist at Plymouth State University, such a tree was planted on the South Main Street side of the park. It has thrived so well that we feel confident of its survival. With the help of Pemi-Baker Memorials, a brass plaque has been forged and a granite block has been purchased that will be set near the tree in the spring.

Since the land for the park was purchased in 1968 as a finale to the centennial celebration of Ashland's establishment as a separate town, the park is now reaching a stage where some elements need serious repair or replacement. This means a greater expenditure than our endowment (a trust fund in the care of the Town Trustees) can usually provide. Therefore we must consider resuming serious fundraising to make these changes possible.

Before launching such a program, we are taking the time and making the effort to consult with the Ashland Garden Club, town officials, professional designers, and others to determine an overall plan that will improve the scene. You will be hearing more about this in the near future. In the meantime, continue to enjoy the park and let us know any of your thoughts on possible improvements. One thing is for sure: it has definitely changed the townscape for the better.

ASHLAND MEMORIAL PARK – FINANCIAL STATEMENT – DECEMBER 31, 2006

Opening balance, January 1, 2006	\$	752.66
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INCOME -	Transfer from Trust Fund, 2.9.06	\$5000.00	
	Transfer from Trust Fund 10.30.06	2500.00	
	Interest for year	1.73	
		7501.73	
	Total Available	\$	8254.39

EXPENDITURES

Maintenance

Dennis Donovan – care large maple tree	\$ 800.00	
Ali-Di Properties – mulch	\$ 200.00	
- mowing	910.00	
care gardens, planting	2080.00	\$3190.00

Rollins Memorial Plaque		
Pemi-Baker Memorials	\$ 217.50	
Paul Skipper, granite	42.00	\$ 259.50

Post Office Box 320	\$	26.00
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Total Expenditures	\$	4275.50
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Balance in Meredith Village Savings Bank, Dec 31, 2006	\$	3978.89
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VITAL RECORDS - 2006					
BIRTHS 2006					
DATE	CHILD'S NAME	FATHER	MOTHER	BIRTHPLACE	
1/7/2006	ERIC THOMAS DORE	FRANCIS DORE	CHERYL DORE	PLYMOUTH	
2/2/2006	JACK BARTON TILTON	TODD TILTON	CARA TILTON	PLYMOUTH	
2/14/2006	KAYDEN EVANS GAGNON		KARLA GAGNON	PLYMOUTH	
2/27/2006	DECLAN DAVID ULRICSON	DAVIS ULRICSON	AMY ULRICSON	LACONIA	
3/4/2006	CHELSEI CAROL MORRISON	EVAN MORRISON	SONIA EMERSON	PLYMOUTH	
4/12/2006	KIERAN JACK BELLAMY	PAUL BELLAMY	ANGELA BELLAMY	PLYMOUTH	
4/28/2006	CHRISTOPHER V. RUBBE	VINCENT RUBBE	SUSAN RUBBE	CONCORD	
5/26/2006	SALLY SAIGE INKEL	ANTHONY INKEL	SHANNON INKEL	PLYMOUTH	
5/30/2006	JANELLE JOY COMEAU	CHESTER COMEAU	MA ELIZA COMEAU	LEBANON	
5/30/2006	JASMINE MARIE COMEAU	CHESTER COMEAU	MA ELIZA COMEAU	LEBANON	
7/7/2006	ALLISON MARSHALL PARRY	CHRISTOPHER PARRY	KAREN MONEY-PARRY	LACONIA	
7/13/2006	JAYLIN OPAL GIBBS	NATHANIEL GIBBS	HELENE MCLAUGHLIN	LACONIA	
8/3/2006	LEE EDWIN NORRIS	GARY NORRIS	MELODY WARING	PLYMOUTH	
8/6/2006	HALI MARIE CUNNINGHAM	WILLIAM CUNNINGHAM	DEBORAH CUNNINGHAM	PLYMOUTH	
8/9/2006	ELIZA SKYE FOOTE	ANTHONY FOOTE	JENNIFER FOOTE	PLYMOUTH	
8/25/2006	JEFFREY ANDREW HLADYK	JEFFREY HLADYK	STACEY HLADYK	PLYMOUTH	
9/13/2006	ABIGAIL LEE MUDGETT	JEFF MUDGETT	TARA MUDGETT	PLYMOUTH	
9/20/2006	JACK MCINNIS ANDERSON	JASON ANDERSON	ERICA ANDERSON	LACONIA	
10/2/2006	DOMINIC C. SMITH	JASON SMITH	CASSIE THOMPSON	PLYMOUTH	
10/25/2006	GENEVIEVE M. MARTIN	SCOTT MARTIN	MELISSA MARTIN	CONCORD	
12/8/2006	STEVEN DENNIS LAMOS	HAROLD LAMOS	JACINTHE DEMERS	PLYMOUTH	
DEATHS 2006					
DATE	NAME	FATHER	MOTHER	PLACE	
1/9/2006	THOMAS MARTEL SR.	ALBERT MARTEL	SARAH CARR	PLYMOUTH	
1/18/2006	LILLIAN CHANDLER	MADISON CHARLES	LILLIAN CHARLES	ASHLAND	
1/29/2006	RICHARD BECKNER	WALTER BECKNER	MARY CLARK	PLYMOUTH	
4/9/2006	ELIZABETH MORTON	BERT MOODY	HATTIE ROGERS	CONCORD	
6/10/2006	PATRICIA CROWLEY	MARTIN ABEAR	LYDIA GAMACHE	ASHLAND	
7/20/2006	MARION MARTEL	EDWARD KOPPEHEL	HELEN WILLMAN	PLYMOUTH	
8/6/2006	LUNA DAILEY	EDWIM DUNHAM	MARY COLGROVE	LACONIA	
8/21/2006	GERARD CHOUINARD	ELOI CHOUINARD	MARIE VILLENEUVE	LACONIA	
9/11/2006	RUSSELL CROSS SR	LESTER CROSS	ADA HEATH	ASHLAND	
9/12/2006	SHIRLEY BAKER	HONORE LANDRY	LAURA SMITH	LACONIA	
10/6/2006	ALFRED WORTHEN JR.	ALFRED WORTHEN SR	MARION DEE	NO HAVERHILL	
10/15/2006	JEANNETTE SHAW	HENRY LANOUE	ROSANNA FORTIN	ASHLAND	
10/30/2006	SHIRLEY INKEL	WILFRED WILLETTE	BARBARA FARIN	ASHLAND	
12/22/2006	ERNEST HOLT	ERNEST HOLT	GRACIE BRADSHAW	NO HAVERHILL	
MARRIAGES 2006					
DATE	GROOM	BRIDE	PLACE		
1/7/2006	JOSHUA M TENLEY	JESSICA L RAFFERTY	CONCORD		
4/14/2006	CLINT P BOLTON	TRACEY A BOYCE	PLYMOUTH		
6/3/2006	RYAN S RAFFERTY	RICHELLE L TENLEY	CONCORD		
6/9/2006	SCOTT M MARTIN	MELISSA G NORMANDIN	CONCORD		
6/17/2006	GEORGE C STRYKER	WENDY M RUBIN	ASHLAND		
6/24/2006	GERARD R CHOUINARD	KRISTIE L NORDLAND	ASHLAND		
6/24/2006	WESLEY E FLIGG	JENNIFER S HURLBERT	HEBRON		
7/1/2006	JOSEPH B COLEMAN	SANDRA A COLEMAN	HOLDERNESS		
7/29/2006	RYAN C FROST	CARRIE W VEASEY	LACONIA		
8/12/2006	NATHAN L LAVOIE	ANGIE L BUTEAU	BERLIN		
8/17/2006	TIMOTHY J KITCHENS	MICHELLE E LEMAY	ASHLAND		
8/19/2006	JAMES C BEARD	KATHY L MESSIER	ASHLAND		
9/15/2006	TIMOTHY M. SWORAB	RILEY E O'CONNELL	ASHLAND		
10/1/2006	DOUGLAS R. BROSIUS	JOAN P. GLIDDEN	ASHLAND		
10/21/2006	TIMOTHY E. HAYMAN	MEGAN E MILLER	CTR. TUFTONBORO		
11/2/2006	RICHARD R. DUCLOS	BETTY S. VEASEY	ASHLAND		
11/11/2006	JASON C. COLBATH	CHRISTINA A. CORRIGAN	PLYMOUTH		
12/15/2006	EDWARD A. BERNARD	LOUISE G. BAIRD	ASHLAND		
12/22/2006	ROBERT M. BURR	JULIE R. MANGERS	ASHLAND		
12/30/2006	JED A. LUSH	DEBRA A. GREEN	HOLDERNESS		
SOURCE: VITAL RECORDS ADMINISTRATION - CONCORD, NH					

TOWN OF ASHLAND
FINANCIAL
REPORTS

INVENTORY OF TOWN OWNED PROPERTY								
			2006					
MAP/LOT	DESCRIPTION	ACRES	LAND VALUE	BUILDING VALUE	BOOK	PAGE	DATE	
003-002-004	96 COLLINS STREET (LANDFILL)	28.4	\$ 45,800.00	\$ 22,100.00	1142	551	6/9/1971	
003-003-001	NEW HAMPTON TOWN LINE	3.4	\$ 17,900.00					
003-003-002	137 COLLINS STREET (WWTF)	108	\$167,400.00	\$ 9,024,000.00		222	4/22/1955	
004-001-003	72 CEDAR LANE (PUMP STATION)	36.34	\$ 82,800.00	\$ 17,800.00	2191	54	4/15/1996	
004-002-015	JCT HILL SIDE AVE/MAIN STREET	0.44	\$ 8,800.00					
004-004-001	99 MAIN STREET (BALL FIELD / BOOSTER CLUB)	7	\$233,700.00	\$ 164,000.00				
	DEED - SULLIVAN				562	119		
	DEED - SPAULDING				826	71	11/1/1952	
	DEED - KILPATRICK				969	156	4/30/1962	
	DEED - BROWN				770	328		
	DEED - KNAPP				1087	510	1/8/1969	
011-003-008	ROUTE 3 (SCENIC VIEW ROAD) / OWL BROOK RD	0.05	\$ 1,000.00		2394	653	5/24/1999	
011-003-010	ROUTE 3 (SCENIC VIEW ROAD) / OWL BROOK RD	0.04	\$ 950.00		2394	651	5/24/1999	
011-006-004	LEAVITT HILL ROAD (EDWARD DOGGETT BEACH)	1.5	\$239,500.00	\$ 3,300.00	863	431	5/18/1955	
012-005-003	LEAVITT HILL ROAD (E. DOGGETT CAMPGROUND)	5.2	\$ 39,250.00	\$ 28,200.00				
014-001-001-002	HYDRO DAM ON STATE LAND			\$ 147,500.00				
014-001-020	RIVER STREET (BOAT LAUNCH)	0.15	\$ 35,750.00					
015-001-001-A	RIVER STREET/CROSS ROAD		\$ 23,300.00					
015-001-020	RIVER STREET / CROSS ROAD	1.1	\$ 1,850.00		549	503		
015-002-019	RIVER STREET	1.4	\$ 23,900.00		471	126		
015-002-020	RIVER STREET	0.04	\$ 900.00		1109	519	3/3/1870	
015-002-021	RIVER STREET	1.3	\$ 12,050.00		2394	652	5/24/1999	
016-002-001	HIGHLAND AND MAIN STREET	0.046	\$ 8,800.00					
016-003-020	EDUCATION WAY (ASHLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS)	26	\$312,200.00	\$ 2,879,200.00				
016-007-001	20 HIGHLAND STREET (ASHLAND TOWN HALL)	0.61	\$ 49,150.00	\$ 306,700.00	1187	405	7/3/1872	
016-009-004	RIVERSIDE DRIVE	0.06	\$ 5,100.00		2155	649	8/24/1995	
					2155	653	8/24/1995	
016-009-009	MAIN STREET/RIVERSIDE DRIVE (MEMORIAL PARK)	0.94	\$ 22,500.00	\$ 3,200.00				
	DEED - MARINE LAND				1099	430	8/25/1969	
	DEED - SIRLES LAND				1099	425	9/26/1969	
017-001	MAIN STREET / DEPOT STREET	0.07						
017-006-009	12 PLEASANT STREET (WHIPPLE HOUSE)	0.93	\$ 56,700.00	\$ 202,100.00	1120	106	7/21/1970	
017-007-001	41 MAIN STREET (SCRIBNER LIBRARY)	0.4	\$154,850.00	\$ 169,200.00	SCRIBNER WILL JAN 1935			
017-007-012	MAIN STREET (LEGION BUILDING LAND)	0.75	\$191,100.00		712	169		
017-008-001	MAIN AND MECHANIC STREET (PARKING LOT)	0.31	\$ 71,700.00	\$ 4,900.00	661	84		
017-009-001	9 MAIN STREET (ASHLAND FIRE STATION)	0.59	\$175,800.00	\$ 351,300.00				
017-011-002	DEPOT STREET	0.02	\$ 800.00					
017-013-008	WASHINGTON STREET	0.402	\$ 17,150.00		2394	650	5/24/1999	
018-001-001	6 COLLINS STREET (UTILITY/TOWN GARAGE)	3.5	\$ 35,600.00	\$ 236,500.00	1359	656		
018-002-006	57 DEPOT STREET	0.82	\$ 21,800.00	\$ 136,800.00	3172	77	8/1/2005	
018-004-001	HAROLD AVERY ROAD	0.55	\$ 9,600.00		1416	659	3/5/1981	
018-004-002	HAROLD AVERY ROAD	0.52	\$ 9,500.00		1416	659	3/5/1981	
018-004-034	HAROLD AVERY ROAD (WATER TOWER)	1.2	\$ 23,500.00	\$ 828,000.00	1424	233	6/17/1981	
025-002-005	WEST SIDE TOWN LINE - RANGE		\$ 16,700.00					
	SOURCE - DEEDS AND PREVIOUS TOWN REPORTS SUBJECT TO CORRECTIONS IF FOUND							

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION 2006

VALUE OF LAND ONLY

CURRENT USE	\$	260,509.00
CONSERVATION RESTRICTION	\$	1,353.00
RESIDENTIAL	\$	38,254,850.00
COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL	\$	10,636,850.00
TOTAL TAXABLE LAND	\$	49,153,562.00

VALUE OF BUILDINGS ONLY

RESIDENTIAL	\$	107,417,900.00
MANUFACTURED HOUSING	\$	1,922,100.00
COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL	\$	22,434,200.00
TOTAL TAXABLE BUILDINGS	\$	131,774,200.00

PUBLIC UTILITIES

ELECTRIC UTILITIES	\$	2,497,600.00
TOTAL PUBLIC UTILITIES	\$	2,497,600.00

VALUATION BEFORE EXEMPTIONS

BLIND EXEMPTIONS	\$	45,000.00
ELDERLY EXEMPTIONS	\$	1,049,083.00
TOTAL EXEMPTIONS ALLOWED	\$	1,094,083.00

NET VALUATION ON WHICH THE TAX RATE FOR MUNICIPAL, COUNTY, LOCAL TAX IS COMPUTED	\$	182,331,279.00
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NET VALUATION ON WHICH TAX FOR STATE EDUCATION TAX IS COMPUTED	\$	179,883,679.00
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**THIS INFORMATION IS TAKEN FROM THE DRA MS 1 FORM (2006 SUMMARY VALUATION OF INVENTORY)

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY - 2006			
USE	ADDRESS	BUILDING VALUE	VALUE OF CONTENTS
TOWN OFFICE BUILDING / POLICE	20 HIGHLAND STREET	\$ 242,600.00	\$ 200,000.00
FIRE STATION	9 MAIN STREET	\$ 393,300.00	\$ 130,000.00
LIBRARY	41 MAIN STREET	\$ -	\$ 451,000.00
HISTORICAL MUSEUM	12 PLEASANT STREET	\$ 171,800.00	\$ 50,000.00
TOWN GARAGE	6 COLLINS STREET	\$ 304,000.00	\$ 200,000.00
STORAGE SHED - ELECTRIC	6 COLLINS STREET	\$ 1,650.00	\$ 30,000.00
STORAGE SHED (4) AT HIGHWAY	6 COLLINS STREET	\$ 58,000.00	\$ 50,000.00
SEWER PLANT (5) BUILDINGS	137 COLLINS STREET	\$ 6,613,200.00	\$ 250,000.00
SUBSTATION	18 COLLINS STREET	\$ 750,000.00	\$ -
PARK / RECREATION BUILDING	99 MAIN STREET	\$ 71,700.00	\$ 40,000.00
BATHHOUSE	284 RIVER STREET	\$ 20,700.00	\$ 1,000.00
SQUAM RIVER COVERED BRIDGE		\$ 260,000.00	
REPEATER ANTENNA	PEPPERCORN ROAD	\$ 6,000.00	
WATER TREATMENT PLANT	72 CEDAR LANE	\$ 77,000.00	\$ 300,000.00
TWO DUGOUTS - BALL FIELD	99 MAIN STREET	\$ 3,400.00	
GATE HOUSE/BATHHOUSE - BEACH	19 LEAVITT HILL ROAD	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 1,000.00
GAZEBO AT BALL PARK	99 MAIN STREET	\$ 3,500.00	
PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT	99 MAIN STREET	\$ 2,500.00	
WATER STORAGE TANK	68 HAROLD AVERY ROAD	\$ 10,000.00	
TRANSFER STATION BUILDINGS	96 COLLINS STREET	\$ 30,000.00	
SKATING RINK	99 MAIN STREET	\$ 17,387.00	
SEWER PUMP STATION	148 RIVER STREET	\$ 200,000.00	
SEWER PUMP STATION #2	242 RIVER STREET	\$ 200,000.00	
SEWER PUMP STATION #3	RIVERSIDE DRIVE	\$ 200,000.00	
GRINDER PUMP	299 RIVER STREET	\$ 2,500.00	
L/B 57 DEPOT STREET	57 DEPOT STREET	\$ 136,800.00	\$ 21,800.00
**SOURCE : LGC PROPERTY SCHEDULE			

TAX RATE COMPUTATIONS - 2006								
TOWN PORTION								
TOTAL TOWN APPROPRIATIONS				\$	5,811,385.00			
LESS - REVENUES				\$	4,062,857.00			
LESS - SHARED REVENUES				\$	33,105.00			
ADD- OVERLAY				\$	33,314.00			
ADD - WAR SERVICE CREDITS				\$	15,300.00			
NET TOWN APPROPRIATIONS						\$	1,764,037.00	
APPROVED TOWN TAX EFFORT							\$	1,764,037.00
MUNICIPAL TAX RATE								\$ 9.68
SCHOOL PORTION								
NET SCHOOL BUDGET				\$	2,408,958.00			
REGIONAL SCHOOL APPORTIONMENT				\$	1,086,660.00			
LESS - ADEQUATE EDUCATION GRANT				\$	(619,023.00)			
LESS - STATE EDUCATION TAXES				\$	(465,582.00)			
APPROVED SCHOOL TAX EFFORT							\$	2,411,013.00
LOCAL EDUCATION TAX RATE								\$ 13.22
STATE EDUCATION TAXES								
EQUALIZATION VALUATION (NO UTILITIES) x				\$	2.84			
							\$	465,582.00
STATE SCHOOL TAX RATE*								\$ 2.59
COUNTY PORTION								
DUE TO COUNTY				\$	263,258.00			
LESS - SHARED REVENUES				\$	(3,824.00)			
APPROVED COUNTY TAX EFFORT							\$	259,434.00
COUNTY TAX RATE								\$ 1.42
TOTAL TAX RATE								\$ 26.91
TOTAL PROPERTY TAXES ASSESSED							\$	4,900,066.00
LESS WAR SERVICE CREDITS							\$	(15,300.00)
ADD VILLAGE DISTRICT COMMITMENT							\$	-
TOTAL PROPERTY TAX COMMITMENT							\$	4,884,766.00
PROOF OF RATE								
NET ASSESSED VALUATION						TAX RATE		ASSESSMENT
STATE EDUCATION TAX (NO UTILITIES)				\$	179,833,679.00	\$	2.59	\$ 465,582.00
ALL OTHER TAXES				\$	182,331,279.00	\$	24.32	\$ 4,434,484.00
								\$ 4,900,066.00
Signed by Barbara Robinson, Department of Revenue Administration								
Oct 12, 2006								

TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR REPORT

Submitted by Patricia Tucker

The Town Clerk and Tax Collector Office is always a busy place. We are in charge of motor vehicle registrations, dog licensing, vital records, titling of vehicles, elections and just about anything else that might seem necessary to do. The Town Clerk is the keeper of town records. All Boards within the Town of Ashland file their meeting minutes with the Clerk. The Town Clerk office has a Notary Public and a Justice of the Peace available for the citizens.

The 2007 dog licenses are available after the first of the year. In order to save postage money I do not send out renewal notices. However, contact is made with owners if we do not see you by March. If you no longer have your previously registered dog, please contact the office so that we may adjust our records.

We are able to produce certified copies of certain birth, death, marriage and divorce certificates. The fee is \$12 for a copy, \$8 for each additional copy produced at the same time.

We are open all week, except on days that take both Laura and myself are out of the office for training and workshops. We welcome your questions or concerns about the Town of Ashland.

This year I am serving as the First Vice President of the New Hampshire Tax Collector's Association. I will also be attending the third year of a four-year Certification program sponsored by the Tax Collector and Town Clerk Associations.

As of December 31, 2006 ninety-three percent (93%) of the 2006 warranted taxes had been collected. The Tax Collector's office is able to accept prepayments on taxes. This means that at any time during the year you can make a payment on your taxes. Remember the more you pay against the principal, the less interest will be accruing.

The tax collection report found on the following pages is a copy of the form that is sent to the state. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about what you have read.

The revenues (unaudited) for the Town Clerk are as follows:

Motor Vehicle Registrations	\$294,744.16
Dog Licenses – town portion	2,060.00
Dog Licenses – state portion	860.50
Vital Record Copies – town portion	703.00
Vital Record Copies – state portion	1,720.00
Misc. Fees Collected	1,527.00

I have applied for, and received a Vital Records Improvement Grant. We have received monies for a new fire proof cabinet to house our vital records, materials used for archiving the records, funds for a new fire proof door for our vault room, with some money left over for small items to be used in the preservation and retention of the records.

Thank you for your outstanding participation in regards to your commitment to the Town of Ashland.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Municipality of Ashland Year Ending 2006

DEBITS

UNCOLLECTED TAXES-		Levy for Year of this Report	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
BEG. OF YEAR*					
Property Taxes	#3110	xxxxxx	275075.22		
Resident Taxes	#3180	xxxxxx			
Land Use Change	#3120	xxxxxx			
Yield Taxes	#3185	xxxxxx	0.78		
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187	xxxxxx			
Utility Charges	#3189	xxxxxx			
		xxxxxx	25		

FOR DRA USE ONLY

TAXES COMMITTED THIS YEAR

Property Taxes	#3110	4906538.52	
Resident Taxes	#3180		
Land Use Change	#3120	4650	
Yield Taxes	#3185	489.05	
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187		24
Utility Charges	#3189		
OTHER CHARGES			765

FOR DRA USE ONLY

OVERPAYMENT:

Property Taxes	#3110	7070.51	4598.18		
Resident Taxes	#3180				
Land Use Change	#3120				
Yield Taxes	#3185				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd	#3187				
Interest - Late Tax	#3190	3876.09	12058.54		
COST BEFORE LIEN	#3190		1219.75		
TOTAL DEBITS		49622624.17	273766.47	\$	\$

*This amount should be the same as the last year's ending balance. If not, please explain.

NH DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
P.O. BOX 487, CONCORD, NH 03302-0487
(603)271-3397

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

TOWN OF ASHLAND
CREDITS

2006

REMITTED TO TREASURER	Levy for this Year	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
Property Taxes	4567463.82	201108.32		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change	4650			
Yield Taxes	489.05	0.78		
Interest (include lien conversion)				
Penalties	3876.09	790		
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd		24		
Utility Charges				
Conversion to Lien (principal only)		80229.94		
		6919.66		
DISCOUNTS ALLOWED				

ABATEMENTS MADE

Property Taxes	21673.72	4693.77		
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd				
Utility Charges				
CURRENT LEVY DEEDED				

UNCOLLECTED TAXES - END OF YEAR #1080

Property Taxes	324471.49			
Resident Taxes				
Land Use Change				
Yield Taxes				
Excavation Tax @ \$.02/yd				
Utility Charges				
TOTAL CREDITS	4922624.17	293766.47	\$	\$

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

TOWN OF ASHLAND

2006

DEBITS

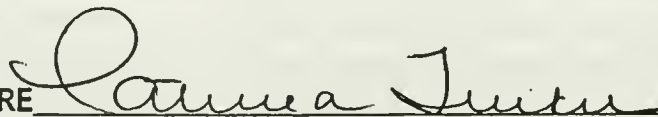
	Last Year's Levy 2006	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
		2005	2004	2003-
Unredeemed Liens Balance at Beg. of Fiscal Year		45980.35	34371.07	29190.29
Liens Executed During Fiscal Year	80229.94			
Interest & Costs Collected (AFTER LIEN EXECUTION)	3551.98	2802.59	7842.33	459.88
TOTAL DEBITS	83781.92	48782.94	42213.4	29630.17

CREDITS

REMITTED TO TREASURER:		Last Year's Levy	PRIOR LEVIES (PLEASE SPECIFY YEARS)		
			2005	2004	2003-
Redemptions		41318.02	16547.9	15584.04	647.03
Interest & Costs Collected (After Lien Execution)	#3190	2819.73	3102.59	8023.69	459.88
Abatements of Unredeemed Liens					
Liens Deeded to Municipality					
Unredeemed Liens Balance End of Year	#1110	39644.17	29132.45	18605.67	28523.26
TOTAL CREDITS		83781.92	48782.94	42213.4	29630.17

Does your municipality commit taxes on a semi-annual basis (RSA 76:15-a) ? _____ YES

TAX COLLECTOR'S SIGNATURE



DATE

1/23/07

GENERAL LONG TERM DEBT ACCOUNTS				
	DUE DATE	PRINCIPAL YEAR 2006	INTEREST YEAR 2006	PRINCIPAL BALANCE
\$300,000 Water System Bond Due Annually @4.501% Payable to Rural Development Final Payment 9/10/2026	10-Sep	\$ 7,446.00	\$ 11,280.00	\$ 243,197.04
\$1,600,000 Water Project Interest @ 4.501% Payable to Rural Development Final Payment 7/18/2025	16-Jul	\$ 44,100.00	\$ 57,548.00	\$ 1,236,746.38
\$448,000 - 1967 Water Bonds Interest varies @5.4% - 8.25% Payable to NH Municipal Bond Final Payment 7/15/2012	15-Jul 15-Jan	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 8,662.00	\$ 90,000.00
\$1,384,005.00 River St Improvement R1 and R2 Interest @ 4.5% Payable to USDA - Rural Development Final payment 2030	10-Jan	\$ 28,753.00	\$ 57,638.00	\$ 1,281,836.00
\$28,320 Fire Department Uniform Interest @ 4.5% Payable to Banknorth Final Payment 2006	1-May	\$ 5,029.00	\$ 272.00	\$ -
\$400,000 Highway Project Bond Interest @ 3% Payable to Woodsville Savings Bank Final Payment 2013	1-Apr	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 9,600.00	\$ 280,000.00

Report of the Trust Fund of the Town of Ashland, New Hampshire on December 31, 2006

Date of Creation	Purpose of Trust Fund	Beginning Balance	New Funds Created	Principal Increase (Decrease) in Fair Value		Ending Balance	Beginning Balance	Income	Extended	Ending Balance	Total Principal and Income	Prior Year Balance	Return on Average Balance	Investments Account Balance
				Widow's Share	Fair Value									
Nonexpendable Trusts:														
Cemetery Care Trusts:														
Various	Cemetery	7,950.00				6,569.93	1,080.42	400.52		2,567.46	9,137.39	9,030.42	4.41%	9,137.39
09/18/66	Cemetery	1,331.38				1,331.38	1,009.51	117.66		1,370.37	2,701.75	2,340.89	17.29%	2,701.75
Crimings & Berry Cemetery														
Library Trusts:														
02/08/77	Pauline Packard Memorial Fund	1,013.39				788.39	4.93	97.24		421.15	1,209.54	1,018.32	57.56%	1,209.54
08/07/74	Ordway Cheney	2,109.90				1,554.65	102.93	157.35		371.24	1,925.89	2,212.83	39.80%	1,925.89
05/13/85	Harriet Addison	983.86				983.86	(19.63)	36.60		9.94	993.80	964.23	3.02%	1,112.56
Memorial Park														
03/01/95	3. Rollins Trust	3,578.23				3,578.23	1,235.91	136.80		1,398.20	4,976.43	4,814.14	3.32%	4,976.43
08/12/93	Memorial Park	38,549.73				33,289.73	12,935.60	3,483.75		23,498.50	56,788.23	51,485.33	19.31%	56,788.23
		55,516.49				48,096.17	16,349.67	4,429.92		29,636.86	77,733.03	71,866.16	19.01%	77,851.79
Expendable Trusts:														
Capital Reserve Funds:														
03/09/04	River Street Bridge	42,000.00	12,000.00			54,000.00	1,098.71	2,050.05		3,148.76	57,148.76	43,098.71	4.09%	57,148.76
03/09/04	Highway Truck	25,000.00				25,000.00	913.24	1,229.68		2,142.92	27,142.92	25,913.24	4.64%	27,142.92
03/12/02	Employee Disability Payment Fund	7,000.00				7,000.00	339.91	362.59		702.50	8,002.50	7,639.91	4.64%	8,002.50
		74,000.00	12,000.00			86,000.00	2,351.86	3,642.32		5,994.18	92,294.18	76,651.86	4.31%	92,294.18
Agency Trusts:														
Ashland School District														
01/23/03	School District Special	55,298.66				55,298.66	2,531.32	2,743.98		5,275.30	60,574.16	57,830.18	4.63%	60,574.16
05/13/85	Alice June Addison Memorial	10,836.34				10,836.34	1,317.71	1,106.03		3,191.90	14,028.24	12,154.05	8.45%	14,028.24
05/13/85	Alice June Addison Memorial	82.63	1,000.00			(1,082.63)		0.28		(0.28)		82.63	0.68%	
08/16/87	Edward M. Dwyer Memorial	2,012.62				2,012.62	54.18	119.66		124.79	2,137.41	2,066.80	5.69%	2,137.41
		68,230.25	1,000.00			69,230.25	3,903.41	3,969.95		8,592.19	76,739.81	72,133.66	5.33%	76,739.81
		198,046.74	13,000.00			(8,502.95)	22,604.94	12,042.19		44,223.23	246,767.02	220,651.68	5.13%	246,885.78
Totals														

SCRIBNER MEMORIAL TRUST
DECEMBER 31, 2006

Balance as of December 31, 2005 \$176,047.73

	2006	2005
Expenses		
Maintenance	\$ 4,495.44	\$5,806.37
Supplies	1,212.40	2,932.67
Garbage	185.00	136.00
Insurance	737.00	934.00
FICA	138.45	446.88
Trustees	1,588.11	1,154.35
Bookkeeper	600.27	692.62
Fuel	2,482.98	2,083.72
Misc.	176.00	350.00
Ray Burke Fund	0	300.05
TOTAL	\$ 11,615.65	\$ 14,836.66

Income:

MVSB Interest	\$ 1.64	\$.83
Putnam Div. On Income		2,256.38
Inc. Fund of America		2,538.83
Misc.		250.00
Transferred Funds-CD	12,500.00	7,500.00
TOTAL	\$12,501.64	\$12,546.04

Account Balances:

MVSB 23479801	\$ 1,081.08	\$ 112.39
MVSB 14364	closed	178.73
Inc. Fund of America-value	79,487.25	69,570.40
Cash Balance	9.44	5,038.15
Pioneer II-value	54,336.43	49,977.91
Putnam Diversified-value	53,050.46	51,170.15
TOTAL	\$187,964.66	\$176,047.73

Balance as of December 31, 2006 \$187,964.66

Submitted by
Edward A. Dupuis
Rick Pare
Thomas Peters
Richard Ogden
Dan Uhlman

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED
FOR THE TAX YEAR 2006 - TOWN OF ASHLAND - GRAFTON COUNTY

GENERAL GOVERNMENT	2006 BUDGET	ACTUAL EXPENDITURES	BALANCE REMAINING
EXECUTIVE	\$ 6,168.00	\$ 6,202.77	\$ (34.77)
ELECTION, REGISTRATION, VITALS	\$ 30,069.00	\$ 28,906.07	\$ 1,162.93
FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 229,022.00	\$ 221,336.72	\$ 7,685.28
REVALUATION OF PROPERTY	\$ 39,501.00	\$ 31,981.82	\$ 7,519.18
LEGAL EXPENSE	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,804.60	\$ (804.60)
PERSONNEL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 14.00	\$ 4,986.00
BALLOT CODING	\$ 3,950.00	\$ 2,907.15	\$ 1,042.85
PLANNING AND ZONING	\$ 8,484.00	\$ 7,424.54	\$ 1,059.46
GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS	\$ 49,050.00	\$ 45,727.17	\$ 3,322.83
CEMETERIES	\$ 200.00	\$ 400.00	\$ (200.00)
INSURANCE	\$ 68,595.00	\$ 68,714.34	\$ 19,880.66
ADVERTISING/REGIONAL ASSOC	\$ 1,823.00	\$ 1,823.00	\$ -
OTHER GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 7,330.50	\$ 669.50
PUBLIC SAFETY			\$ -
POLICE	\$ 481,767.00	\$ 470,537.28	\$ 11,229.72
POLICE DETAIL	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 2,055.00	\$ 12,945.00
AMBULANCE	\$ 27,774.00	\$ 27,757.93	\$ 16.07
FIRE	\$ 142,817.00	\$ 134,068.62	\$ 8,748.38
BUILDING INSPECTION	\$ 3,091.00	\$ 8,023.53	\$ (4,932.53)
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	\$ 2,315.00	\$ 315.00	\$ 2,000.00
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS			\$ -
ADMINISTRATION	\$ 197,525.00	\$ 186,781.42	\$ 10,743.58
HIGHWAYS AND STREETS	\$ 221,951.00	\$ 219,094.98	\$ 2,856.02
BRIDGES	\$ 400.00	\$ 431.47	\$ (31.47)
TOWN MECHANIC	\$ 64,125.00	\$ 61,591.63	\$ 2,533.37
STREET LIGHTING	\$ 43,001.00	\$ 39,756.12	\$ 3,244.88
SANITATION			\$ -
SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL	\$ 165,929.00	\$ 154,313.71	\$ 11,615.29
HEALTH			\$ -
ADMINISTRATION	\$ 2,653.00	\$ 2,234.99	\$ 418.01
PEST CONTROL	\$ 2,900.00	\$ 2,700.00	\$ 200.00
WELFARE			\$ -
ADMINISTRATION / ASSISTANCE	\$ 39,301.00	\$ 31,543.23	\$ 7,757.77
VENDOR PAYMENTS / OTHER	\$ 22,815.00	\$ 22,815.00	\$ -
CULTURE AND RECREATION			\$ -
PARKS AND RECREATION	\$ 156,381.00	\$ 152,202.73	\$ 4,178.27
LIBRARY	\$ 48,737.00	\$ 48,637.00	\$ 100.00
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES	\$ 6,468.00	\$ 6,433.99	\$ 34.01
TOWN TRUSTEES	\$ 652.00	\$ 322.94	\$ 329.06
CONSERVATION	\$ 500.00	\$ 385.00	\$ 115.00
DEBT SERVICE			\$ -
PRINCIPAL - LONG TERM	\$ 175,974.00	\$ 175,974.00	\$ -
INTEREST - LONG TERM	\$ 165,543.00	\$ 164,295.43	\$ 1,247.57
INTEREST - TAN	\$ 1.00	\$ 6,472.27	\$ (6,471.27)
CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$ 6,197.00	\$ 6,197.00	\$ -
WARRANT ARTICLES	\$ 42,000.00	\$ 42,000.00	\$ -
DEFAULT DISCOUNTS		\$ (338.91)	\$ 338.91
TOTAL GENERAL FUND OPERATING EXPENSES	\$ 2,515,679.00	\$ 2,400,174.04	\$ 115,504.96
OUT TO ENTERPRISE FUNDS			\$ -
WATER/SEWER PLANT OPERATIONS	\$ 145,285.00	\$ 145,286.87	\$ (1.87)
MUNICIPAL SEWER FUND	\$ 156,454.00	\$ 263,634.37	\$ (107,180.37)
MUNICIPAL WATER FUND	\$ 183,123.00	\$ 164,707.38	\$ 18,415.62
MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC FUND	\$ 2,810,845.00	\$ 2,321,573.13	\$ 489,271.87
UNAUDITED			

ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT - 2006
Submitted by Linda Guyotte, Treasurer

CHECKING ACCOUNTS	TOWN	ELECTRIC	WATER	SEWER
BEGINNING BALANCE JANUARY 1, 2005	\$1,342,998.83	\$457,029.52	\$68,555.58	\$146,362.07
DEPOSITS	\$6,101,913.82	\$2,279,916.46	\$207,909.07	\$629,781.74
EXPENDITURES	\$6,075,898.65	\$2,610,259.43	\$174,026.12	\$725,809.97
INTEREST	\$4,948.53	\$1,381.75	\$654.21	\$1,503.01
TOTAL	\$1,373,992.53	\$128,068.30	\$103,092.74	\$51,836.85
PROOF OF BALANCE 12/31/2005				
MVSB CHECKING ACCOUNT	\$30,383.78	\$0.00		
MVSB CASH MANAGER ACCOUNT	\$1,343,608.75	\$18,086.80	\$103,092.74	\$146,362.07
TOTAL MEREDITH VILLAGE SAVINGS	\$1,373,992.53	\$18,086.80	\$103,092.74	\$146,362.07
FSB CHECKING ACCOUNT		\$3,495.94		
FSB MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT		\$106,485.56		
TOTAL FRANKLIN SAVINGS ACCOUNT	\$109,981.50			
INVESTED FUNDS				
BEGINNING BALANCE	\$ 101,567.93	\$ 57,875.37		\$170,701.61
CONTRIBUTION TO NH PUBLIC INVESTORS POOL	\$130,000.00			
WITHDRAWALS FSB & CGSB	\$72,642.25	\$0.00		\$128,616.25
WITHDRAWALS NH PUBLIC INVESTORS POOL	\$93,000.00	\$0.00		\$61,000.00
INTEREST	\$6,739.32	\$2,746.34		\$9,627.74
TOTAL	\$ 72,665.00	\$ 60,621.71		\$247,945.60
PROOF OF BALANCE 12/31/05				
NH PUBLIC DEPOSIT INVESTORS POOL	\$ 41,187.23	\$60,621.71		\$247,945.60
FRANKLIN SAVINGS BANK	\$ 31,477.77			
COMMUNITY GUARANTY SAVINGS	\$0.00			
TOTAL	\$ 72,665.00			
TOTAL CASH ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 2005	\$1,373,992.53	\$200,733.30	\$163,714.45	\$394,307.67

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S COMMUNICATION OF CONTROL DEFICIENCIES AND OTHER MATTERS

To the Members of the Board of Selectmen
Town of Ashland, New Hampshire
Ashland, New Hampshire

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Town of Ashland as of and for the year ended December 31, 2006, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the Town's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Town's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Town of Ashland's internal control.

A *control deficiency* exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A *significant deficiency* is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the entity's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control. A *material weakness* is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control. Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses.

In connection with our consideration of Town of Ashland's internal control as described above, we are pleased to report that we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we considered to be material weaknesses, as defined above. Areas of opportunity for further consideration include:

- In light of evolving accounting standards and sophistication of informational needs, the community should continue to strive for cooperation and efficiencies throughout its accounting and report systems.

This communication is intended solely for the information and use of management and others within the organization and is not intended and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Paul J. Mercier, Jr. CPA

The Mercier Group, *a professional corporation*
January 30, 2006

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON FINANCIAL PRESENTATION

To the Members of the Board of Selectmen
Town of Ashland
Ashland, New Hampshire

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of The Town of Ashland, New Hampshire, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2006, which collectively comprise the Town's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Ashland's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit. We did not audit the financial statements of the Electric, Water and Sewer Enterprise funds, which represent 8.9%, 7.7%, and 54% of the assets, net assets and revenues of Town of Ashland, New Hampshire. Those financial statements were audited by other auditors whose report thereon has been furnished to us, and our opinion, insofar as it relates to the amounts included for the Electric, Water and Sewer Enterprise funds, is based on the report of the other auditors.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit and the report of the other auditors provide a reasonable basis for our opinions.

In our opinion, based on our audit and the report of other auditors, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the business-type activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Town of Ashland, New Hampshire, as of December 31, 2006, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The Electric, Water and Sewer Enterprise funds as audited by other auditors, have not presented the management discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the basic financial statements.

The management discussion and analysis beginning on page iii and budgetary comparison information listed in the table of contents as "Required Supplementary Information" are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Town of Ashland, New Hampshire's basic financial statements. The combining and individual nonmajor fund financial statements, and schedules listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied by us and the other auditors in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, based on our audit and the report of the other auditors, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Paul J. Mercier Jr. CPA

The Mercier Group, *a professional corporation*
January 30, 2007

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To the Commissioners
Ashland, New Hampshire

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Water, Sewer and Electric Department Enterprise Funds of the Town of Ashland, New Hampshire, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2006, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town of Ashland, New Hampshire's Enterprise Funds management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these fund financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. These standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

As discussed in the notes to financial statements, the financial statements present only the Water, Sewer and Electric Department Enterprise Funds, and do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the Town of Ashland, New Hampshire, as of December 31, 2006, and the changes in its financial position and cash flows, where applicable, for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The Water, Sewer and Electric Department Enterprise Funds of the Town of Ashland, New Hampshire, has not presented management discussion and analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the basic financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Water, Sewer and Electric Department Enterprise Funds of the Town of Ashland, New Hampshire, as of December 31, 2006, and the changes in financial position and cash flows thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The accompanying combining financial statements listed in the table of contents are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the enterprise fund financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the enterprise fund financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly presented, in all material respects in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Harding & Bahr

Plymouth, New Hampshire
January 29, 2007

COMMUNITY REPORTS





Celebrating 40 Years of Caring
1966 ~ 2006

January 1, 2007

To the Residents of Ashland:

Genesis Behavioral Health (GBH) is grateful for the Town of Ashland's 2006 Appropriation. Your contribution has helped GBH to cover the costs of providing mental health care to residents of your town who are unable to pay the full cost of their services.

During Fiscal Year 2006 (ending June 30, 2006), a total of 49 Ashland residents came to GBH to find help for their mental health problems. Their ages break down as follows:

Age Range	Number of Clients
Ages 1 - 17	18
Ages 18 - 59	27
Age 60 and over	4
<i>Total</i>	<i>49</i>

From this total several residents did not have the resources to cover the cost of their services in full. "Charity care" was provided to these individuals in the amount of \$8,168.04. Your appropriation helped cover a portion of these costs.

Since 1966 GBH has provided mental health services for the residents of the Lakes Region. These services are provided to children in their homes, schools and in special programs at GBH which are designed to help them practice the skills they require to improve their lives. Elders receive services in the community including their homes, assisted living facilities and group homes. Our Gatekeeper program trains community volunteers to be alert to elders who live alone and may require assistance.

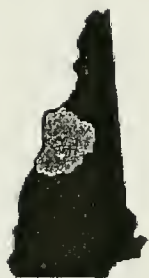
GBH also provides individual therapy for adults and children to address issues causing distress and to provide guidance towards positive behaviors. Our Community Support Program also provides services for adults living with life impacting mental illnesses. GBH Emergency Services are available 24 hours a day, everyday of the year. We are on call for individuals and their families who feel that they are a threat to themselves or others.

We are very grateful to the Town of Ashland for your 2006 appropriation. Thank you for helping us to cover the costs of providing mental health care to residents of your town who are unable to pay the full cost of their services.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Michael Coughlin".

Michael Coughlin
Executive Director - Genesis Behavioral Health



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GRAFTON COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS COUNCIL, INC. ANNUAL REPORT 2006

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Programs

Bristol Area Senior Services
(Bristol 744-8395)

Horse Meadow Senior Center
(N. Haverhill 787-2539)

Linwood Area Senior Center
(Lincoln 745-4705)

Littleton Area Senior Center
(Littleton 444-6050)

Mascoma Area Senior Center
(Canaan 523-4333)

Orford Area Senior Services
(Orford 353-9107)

Plymouth Regional Senior Center
(Plymouth 536-1204)

Upper Valley Senior Center
(Lebanon 448-4213)

RSVP & The Volunteer Center
(Lebanon 448-1825)

Grafton County ServiceLink
(1-866-634-9412)

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc. is a private nonprofit organization that provides programs and services to support the health and well being of our older citizens. The Council's programs enable elderly individuals to remain independent in their own homes and communities for as long as possible.

The Council operates eight senior centers in Plymouth, Littleton, Canaan, Lebanon, Bristol, Orford, Haverhill and Lincoln, the information and assistance program Grafton County ServiceLink, and the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program and Volunteer Center (RSVP). Through the centers, ServiceLink and RSVP, older adults and their families take part in a range of community-based long-term services including home delivered meals, congregate dining programs, transportation, adult day care, chore/home repair services, recreational and educational programs, and volunteer opportunities.

During 2006, 149 older residents of Ashland were served by one or more of the Council's programs offered through the Plymouth Regional Senior Center:

- Older adults from Ashland enjoyed 1,292 balanced meals in the company of friends in the Plymouth center's dining room.
- They received 5,162 hot, nourishing meals delivered to their homes by caring volunteers.
- Ashland residents were transported to health care providers or other community resources on 967 occasions by our lift-equipped buses.
- They benefited from the adult day care program at the Plymouth Center, which provided 207.5 hours of care for Ashland residents.
- They received assistance—including Medicare D assistance—and help with problems or issues of long-term care through 275 visits by a trained social worker or contacts with ServiceLink.
- Ashland's elderly citizens also volunteered to put their talents and skills to work for a better community through 913 hours of volunteer service.

The cost to provide Council services for Ashland residents in 2006 was \$57,410.

Such services can be critical to elderly individuals who want to remain in their own homes and out of institutional care in spite of chronic health problems and increasing physical frailty, saving tax dollars that would otherwise be expended for nursing home care. They also contribute to a higher quality of life for our older friends and neighbors. As our population grows older, supportive services such as those offered by the Council become even more critical.

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council very much appreciates Ashland's support for our programs that enhance the independence and dignity of older citizens and enable them to meet the challenges of aging in the security and comfort of their own communities and homes.

Roberta Berner, Executive Director

Grafton County Senior Citizens Council, Inc.

Statistics for the Town of Ashland

October 1, 2005 to September 30, 2006

During the fiscal year, GCSCC served 149 Ashland residents (out of 342 residents over 60, 2000 Census).

<u>Services</u>	<u>Type of Service</u>	<u>Units of Service</u>	x	<u>Unit (1) Cost</u>	=	<u>Total Cost of Service</u>
Congregate/Home Delivered	Meals	6,454	x	\$5.84	\$	37,691
Transportation	Trips	967	x	\$10.09	\$	9,757
Adult Day Service	Hours	207.5	x	\$13.00	\$	2,698
Social Services	Half-hours	240	x	\$25.27	\$	6,065
ServiceLink Activities	Contacts	35 350	x	\$34.27 N/A	\$	1,199

Number of Ashland volunteers: 11 Number of Volunteer Hours: 913

GCSCC cost to provide services for Ashland residents only	\$	<u>57,410</u>
Request for Senior Services for 2006	\$	<u>4,000</u>
Received from Town of Ashland for 2006	\$	<u>4,000</u>
Request for Senior Services for 2007	\$	<u>4,500.00</u>

NOTE:

1. Unit cost from GCSCC Statement of Revenue and Expenses for October 1, 2005 to September 30, 2006.
2. Services were funded by Federal and State programs 56%; municipalities, county and United Way 11%; Contributions 8%; In-kind donations 16%; Friends of GCSCC 7%; Other 2%.

2006 Annual Report to the Town of Ashland

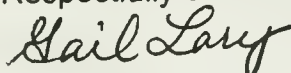
Board of Directors Representatives: Philip Preston & Mary Ruell

Pemi-Baker Home Health & Hospice strives to provide the citizens of Ashland with a multitude of services and programs. The goal of our services is to allow people to remain at home in a safe environment. Important initiatives during 2006 have been...

- ♦ Monthly Foot Care Clinic at the Plymouth Regional Senior Center for the purpose of grooming toenails and recommendations to physicians if necessary.
- ♦ Training of Hospice volunteers to assist our Hospice patients and families. We currently have 15 appreciated volunteers. Quarterly Education programs for the volunteers to enhance their knowledge.
- ♦ Participation in the Plymouth Regional High School's Licensed Nursing Assistant training program. Provided a six week internship in Home Health for the students. Member of the Board of Directors for the program.
- ♦ Annual Hospice Tree Lightings, hosted by Dresser's Unlimited and the Woodsville Bank. The Hospice Memorial trees honor past and present Hospice patients. A \$5.00 donation to the Hospice program gives the donor a light on the memorial tree in honor of their loved one.
- ♦ Held a Memorial Service at the Plymouth Methodist Church with family and friends of past Hospice patients to honor and celebrate the lives of these Hospice patients.
- ♦ Ongoing participation with Speare Memorial Hospital Wellness Series, including participation in Health Fairs for the citizens of the Plymouth area.
- ♦ Member of the Community Disaster Planning Committee with other professional community members.

Our mission as a non-profit organization is to serve citizens of Ashland and surrounding communities with appropriate Homecare services. We appreciate and thank you for your ongoing loyal support of our services and our staff.

Respectfully Submitted,



Gail Lary, Executive Director

UNH COOPERATIVE EXTENSION – GRAFTON COUNTY OFFICE

Northam D. Parr, County Office Administrator

UNH Cooperative Extension provides New Hampshire citizens with research-based education and information and technical assistance, enhancing their ability to make informed decisions that strengthen youth, families and communities, sustain natural resources, and improve the economy.

Funded through the federal, state and county governments, and competitive grants, educational programs are designed to respond to the local needs of citizens, through direction and support of an elected volunteer Advisory Council.

Education programs and assistance are objective, informal and practical in nature; most are at no direct cost for participants. Clients' needs are met through phone calls, letters and printed materials, hands-on workshops, on-site visits, seminars and conferences, and up-to-date web sites. Our staff is able to respond quickly with needed information via electronic mail, keeps up-to-date on the latest research and information, and works collaboratively with many agencies and organizations.

A professional staff of four educators and one specialist work out of the Extension Office located in the Grafton County Administrative Offices in North Haverhill. Another professional member works in Plymouth to provide nutrition education programs for limited-resource families and schools. Additional support is provided through trained volunteers who assist with Extension programs and increase our outreach capabilities.

Educational Programs in Grafton County, FY06:

- **To Strengthen NH's Communities:** Community Conservation Assistance Program; Preserving Rural Character through Agriculture; Urban and Community Forestry; Community Youth Development; Volunteer Training (Master Gardeners, Coverts Cooperators, Community Tree Stewards, 4-H Leaders); Community Profiles
- **To Strengthen NH's Family and Youth:** After-school Programs, Family Resource Management; 4-H/Youth Development; Nutrition and Food Safety Education; Parenting Education; Cradle Crier/Toddler Tale Newsletters; Volunteer Leader Training
- **To Sustain NH's Natural Resources:** Dairy Management, Agro-ecology; Forest Resources Stewardship; Fruit Production and Management; GIS Training; Lakes Lay Monitoring; Integrated Pest Management; Ornamental Horticulture; Insect and Disease Control; Vegetable Crop Production; Wildlife Habitat Improvement; Water Quality/Nutrient Management; Estate Planning and Conservation Easement Education
- **To Improve the Economy:** Small Business Assistance (Forest Industry, Loggers and Foresters; Farms and Nurseries); Farm and Forest Product Marketing; Agricultural Business Management; Family Financial Management

Extension Staff: Tom Buob, Agricultural Resources; Kathleen Jablonski, 4-H/Youth Development; Michal Lunak, Dairy; Deborah Maes, Family and Consumer Resources; Northam Parr, Forestry and Wildlife Resources; Robin Peters, Nutrition Connections; Educators are supported by Teresa Locke, Donna Mitton and Kristine Vaughan at the Extension Office.

Extension Advisory Council: Sheila Fabrizio, North Haverhill; David Keith, North Haverhill; Shaun Laqueux, Bristol; Jane O'Donnell, Littleton; Debby Robie, Bath; Carol Ronci, Franconia; Rep. Martha McLeod, Franconia; Denis Ward (Chair), Monroe; Teen Members include Jacob Burgess, Bath and Faith Putnam, Piermont

Extension Office Hours are Monday through Friday 8 AM to 4 PM

Phone: 603-787-6944

Fax: 603-787-2009

Email: grafton@ceunh.unh.edu

Web Site: www.extension.unh.edu

Mailing Address: 3855 DCH, Box 5, North Haverhill, NH 03774-4909

Extension programs and policies are nondiscriminatory with regard to age, color, handicap, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation and veterans' status.



**American
Red Cross**

Concord Area, Lakes Region
and North Country

Chapter Office:

2 Maitland Street, Concord, NH 03301-3534
(800) 464-6692, (603) 225-6697, Fax: (603) 228-7171
www.concord-redcross.org

Branch Office:

Belknap Mall
Belmont, NH

Fiscal Year 2006 Fact Sheet

The American Red Cross is a non-profit, community service organization dedicated to providing disaster relief and emergency aid to people living in central and northern New Hampshire. The Red Cross helps people prevent and prepare for disasters and respond to emergencies. Staff and volunteers build stronger and safer communities by offering a variety of programs and services including health and safety education, disaster response, emergency preparedness, blood services, military communications and international tracings. The main Chapter office, located in Concord, serves about two-thirds of New Hampshire to the Canadian border, including the Concord Area, Lakes Region and North Country.

2006 Developments

In June 2006, the Belmont Branch office of the Red Cross was officially opened in the Belknap Mall. A grand opening and ribbon-cutting ceremony was celebrated by the public, the Town of Belmont, the Belmont Chamber of Commerce and the Red Cross Chapter. The expansion and relocation effort into the Lakes Region and North Country allows the Chapter to better respond to the immediate needs of the local residents when disaster strikes. The Chapter staff and volunteers work to strengthen the local communities with courses in CPR (cardio pulmonary resuscitation), First Aid, health education and other lifesaving services. The goal of the expansion is to build safer communities through training, preparation and response.

Financial Information

The Red Cross receives no funding from the federal government. Our revenue sources include 35% voluntary community donations, 41% products and services, 13% United Way, 1% grants, 0.6% municipal allocations and 8.5% from all other sources. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, the local Chapter, covering the Concord Area, Lakes Region and North Country, received funds from 2,545 donors; 4% were donated specifically for flood disasters in the state, 22% were for other disasters in the area, 21% came from the capital campaign, and the remainder were general contributions. The Chapter served 14,640 individuals with a combined operating budget of 1.25 million dollars.

Programs and Services

Health and Safety Services

The American Red Cross provides instruction in CPR, First Aid and AED (automated external defibrillation), lifeguard training, water safety and babysitting. The classes are offered at the Chapter

office and in the community at workplaces and in schools. Last year, 14,195 individuals received training and certification in American Red Cross Health and Safety programs.

Licensed Nurse Assistant (LNA) Training

Licensed Nurse Assistants (LNAs) provide basic patient care and assist with nursing procedures under the direction of registered nurses and licensed practical nurses. In New Hampshire, home health aides must be licensed nurse assistants. Licensing is granted upon successful completion of a standardized training program and passage of a written exam. 464 LNAs received their license in fiscal year 2006 after training and/or testing through the Chapter's LNA program; 191 of those were new entries into the health care field who were fully trained through the Chapter.

Disaster Services

The American Red Cross has an extensive network of volunteers who are specially trained to respond to disasters such as fires, floods, severe thunderstorms, hazardous materials spills and acts of terrorism. The most common disasters are home fires. Disaster Action Team volunteers provide food, lodging, clothing and emotional support to people who have been forced to flee their homes due to a disaster. The Red Cross provides a three part disaster training program for people wanting to become members of the national disaster services human resources system (DSHR).

Last year, your Red Cross Disaster Action Teams responded to 53 emergencies affecting local families. Emergency Services assisted six fire departments during the April fires by providing \$930 of food and water. During the New Hampshire Floods in May 2006, the Chapter served 82 families and raised \$31,389 to defray the actual service cost of \$31,535 (excluding other relief expenses).

Blood Services

The Red Cross works closely with the regional blood services center to organize blood drives in the community. During fiscal year 2006, 158 blood drives were held, yielding 8,404 productive units of blood.

Armed Forced Emergency Services and International Tracing

The American Red Cross keeps families connected with their loved ones overseas by providing emergency communication 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The Red Cross assists thousands of military families daily with urgent messages regarding the birth of a child, serious illness or death of a loved one. Confidential counseling as well as assistance with emergency loans and grants is also provided. The American Red Cross works with other national societies to trace family members in the midst of war, civil unrest or disaster in other countries. This service includes exchanging family messages, making international disaster relief inquiries and providing information and referral. Last year, your local Red Cross responded to 152 cases for assistance to military families.

For more information about the work of your local Red Cross Chapter, go to the website, www.concord-redcross.org, or call (800) 464-6692 or (603) 225-6697.



Raymond S. Burton

December 2006

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Concord, NH 03301

*Executive Councilor
District One*

Report to the People of District One By Raymond S. Burton, Executive Councilor

It is an honor to report to the people of this large Northern District in my capacity as Executive Councilor, one of several elected public servants. The five member Council was founded in the NH Constitution and much of NH law provides an additional avenue at the top of your Executive Branch of State Government.

2007 will be a year when members of the Council are charged with conducting public hearings on the State of New Hampshire 10-year transportation plan. With inflation affecting basic transportation costs, and presently no plan for an increase in the State gasoline tax, I don't look for any new projects becoming a reality. We'll be lucky to complete what is currently in the plan.

I continue to seek volunteers to serve on the 300 or so Boards and Commissions as prescribed by New Hampshire law. There are some great opportunities to serve your state government!

Send your letter of interest and resume to my office, or to Kathy Goode, Director of Appointments/Liaison to the Council, Governor's Office, State House, 107 North Main Street, Concord, NH 03301. Tel. (603) 271-2121. To find out what openings are available and to see a list of boards, visit the NH Secretary of State website at: www.sos.nh.gov/redbook/index.htm.

The NH web site is a very valuable for citizens. If internet is not available to you, use your local public or school library to go to www.nh.gov and find all state agencies, general court (representatives) and senate members, mailing addresses, and where legislative bills and proposals are. I send my weekly schedule to some 500 e-mail addresses that include town offices, county officials, district media, NH House and Senate members, and others. If you would like to be on that e-mail list please send your e-mail address to rburton@nh.gov. I often include other public notices and information.

It is an honor to continue to serve you now in my 29th and 30th years as a public servant. Contact my office anytime about your ideas, concerns and problems with state government. I respond to all inquiries and challenges.

Sincerely,

COOS COUNTY:

Barlin, Carroll, Clarksville,
Colebrook, Columbia, Dalton,
Dixville, Dummer, Errol,
Gorham, Jefferson, Lancaster,
Milan, Millsfield, Northumberland,
Pittsburg, Randolph, Shelburne,
Stewartstown, Stark, Stratford,
Whitefield

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SULLIVAN COUNTY:

Charlestown, Claremont, Cornish,
Croydon, Grantham, Newport
Plainfield, Springfield, Sunapee



Towns in Council District #1

CARROLL COUNTY:

Albany, Bartlett,
Chatham, Conway, Eaton,
Ettingham, Freedom, Hart's Loc.,
Jackson, Madison, Moultonborough,
Osseipee, Sandwich, Tamworth,
Tiltonboro, Wakefield, Wolfeboro,

GRAFTON COUNTY:

Alexandria, Ashland, Bath,
Benton, Bethlehem, Bridgewater,
Bristol, Campton, Canaan,
Dorchester, Easton, Ellsworth,
Enfield, Franconia, Grafton,
Groton, Hanover, Haverhill,
Hebron, Holderness, Landaff,
Lebanon, Lincoln, Lisbon,
Livermore, Littleton, Lyman,
Lyme, Monroes, Orange, Orford,
Piermont, Plymouth, Rumney,
Sugar Hill, Thomson, Warren,
Weterville Valley, Wentworth,
Woodstock

BELKNAP COUNTY:

Alton, Belmont, Center Harbor,
Gilford, Laconia, Meredith,
New Hampton, Sanbornville, Tilton

PEMI-BAKER SOLID WASTE DISTRICT

Robert Berti, Chairman
Joan Marshall, Vice-Chairman
Tim Kingston, Treasurer

107 Glessner Road
Bethlehem, NH 03574
(603) 838-6822

2006 Annual Report

The Pemi-Baker Solid Waste District met seven (7) times during the 2006 calendar year. In 2006 District programs provided residents access for proper disposal of their household hazardous wastes (HHW), paint, fluorescent light bulbs, antifreeze and rechargeable batteries. The District also secured a disposal agreement which will provide District members with some of the best tipping fees in the State.

The District's one-day HHW collection program was a tremendous success. The District held three (3) one-day collections. They were held in the towns of Littleton, Plymouth and Rumney. 386 participants (vehicles) took part serving an estimated 926 residents. This year's participation numbers exceeded the annual totals for the years 2002-2005 and was nearly an 85% increase over the 2005 participation numbers. A number of communities brought waste that had been dropped off at their individual transfer stations, and because there is no effective means to record the number of residents doing this, it should be understood that the participation numbers reported are conservative. In actuality, the District's program is serving a greater number of the District population. The total cost for disposal for the one-day collection program was \$30,980. The District received over \$11,400 in grant funds from the State of NH's HHW grant program to help offset a portion of the program's cost. The estimated 45,000 pounds of waste collected is the highest yearly total since 2002, when the District held five (5) one-day collections. In 2007 the District plans to hold two (2) collections one in Littleton in the spring and one in Plymouth in the fall.

Accompanying the one-day HHW collection program were the individual municipal transfer station collections for paint, fluorescent lights, and antifreeze. An estimated 2,000 gallons of paint, 27,000 feet of fluorescent light bulbs and 700 gallons of antifreeze were collected through these programs. These ongoing collections not only provide less expensive recycling options for wastes typically collected at HHW collections but they also allow residents greater access to disposal opportunities, in turn minimizing the potential for improper disposal.

Lastly, the District finalized a seven-year agreement with North Country Environmental Services for the disposal of municipal solid waste (\$57 per ton) and construction and demolition debris (\$60 per ton). The agreement runs through April 30th 2013 and will couple affordable rates with long-term stability for District members. Many thanks go to the members who worked on this effort. Their time and efforts are very much appreciated.

Citizens interested in participating in the development of the District's programs are welcome to attend the District meetings. Information regarding the place and time of the meetings is available at all municipal offices.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Berti
PBSWD Chairman

2006 REPORT
PEMIGEWASSET RIVER LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PRLAC)

PRLAC completed its fifth year of water quality testing last October. Eight test sites are monitored bi-weekly, six on the Pemi plus two tributaries (Smith and Mad River) encompassing towns from Bristol to Thornton. This test data now provides a solid information base from which to judge the future health of the river and its support systems. We currently monitor seven elements; Temperature; Dissolved Oxygen; pH; Specific Conductance; Turbidity; Phosphorus; and E coli. Although the final report has not been received from the NH Department of Environmental Services (DES), our preliminary conclusion is that all elements are within tolerance for a Class B river except pH. 2006 readings indicate the river is more acidic with pH readings ~ 5.8 vs. the 6.5-8.0 standard. Initial speculation is that this could be due to elevated levels of precipitation throughout the summer of 2006. More troubling is the invasion of variable milfoil. There are serious infestations of milfoil from the Bristol-Bridgewater town line to below 10 Mile Brook. The source of the problem appears to be the Squam River. A limnologist from DES spent a day with us mapping the shoreland areas infected. PRLAC will be soliciting help with a plan to deal with the infestation.

A 24-member study commission was chartered by the state to review and recommend changes to the Comprehensive Shoreland Protection Act RSA 483-B which controls development in an area 250' back from public waters (lakes, rivers, ponds and coastal waters). Its final report was issued in November, 2006, and legislation associated with the recommendations has been introduced to the General Court. PRLAC made formal recommendations to the commission regarding the Pemi. Key elements of the proposed legislation are: 1) the Pemi and Saco Rivers would no longer be exempted from CSPA regulations; 2) shoreland buffer areas while remaining dimensionally the same would be managed differently; 3) CSPA would include 3rd order rivers (it currently includes only 4th order and higher rivers) adding 3300 stream miles to the statute; 4) a new provision would limit impervious surfaces in the protected shoreland. PRLAC can provide more detailed information to anyone interested in proposed changes in the CSPA.

In 2007, PRLAC priorities will be in the following areas:

- In association with the Lakes Region Planning Commission and others, develop criteria and a process for identifying conservation opportunities along the river corridor in anticipation of funds becoming available through the new IN-Lieu Fee Program for wetlands mitigation.
- Organize an effort to win approval of the CSPA revisions.
- Identify sections of the Pemi in need of erosion mitigation.

Current Active PRLAC Members:

Thornton - Fred Gunter, Tom Anderson
Holderness - Mike O'Donnell, Marty Riehs
Bristol - Dan Paradis, Max Stamp

Campton - Jane Kellogg
Plymouth - Dennis O'Neill
Franklin - Linda LeFever

PRLAC meets on the last Tuesday of each month, January-November, at 7:00PM, in Boyd Hall of the PSU campus. The public is encouraged to attend.

Max Stamp, PRLAC Chair

LAKES REGION PLANNING COMMISSION
2005 – 2006 (FY-06)

The Lakes Region has changed tremendously in the past 25 years. Homes and businesses have expanded along major roadways, and many of our communities have experienced dramatic changes. This growth has resulted in a number of regional challenges. The Lakes Region Planning Commission (LRPC) is the area organization established to address the effects of growth at both the local and regional level. With a service area covering over 1,200 square miles in Belknap, Carroll, Grafton and Merrimack Counties, the LRPC provides a wide range of planning services to member municipalities. The Commission offers direct and support services ranging from technical assistance, geographic information systems, and transportation planning, to land use and environmental planning, and economic development. Local, state, and federal resources primarily fund the LRPC. We are contacted several times daily for answers to local and statewide issues. We also maintain a regular dialogue with state agencies as a resource for the entire Lakes Region. Our goal remains to provide support and leadership to the governments, businesses, and citizens of the Lakes Region.

Listed below are some of the services performed on behalf of Ashland and the region in the past fiscal year:

- ❖ Reviewed state laws for the proper language regarding the use of a formula to determine the amount of a performance bond upon request.
- ❖ Provided information on the master planning process to local officials.
- ❖ Prepared a preliminary report on Housing and School Enrollments in the Lakes Region. Funding was provided in part by grants obtained by LRPC.
- ❖ Initiated a Virtual Agriculture Tour of the region: a pilot project designed to illustrate how the Internet and GIS can be used to identify and bolster agricultural activity.
- ❖ Completed and distributed the 2006 *Development Activity in the Lakes Region* report on the Lakes Region development trends. Prepared and distributed a development survey for 2006-2007.
- ❖ Planned and coordinated the 20th annual household hazardous waste collection in the Lakes Region. Two consecutive Saturdays were designated as collection days for 24 participating communities. An estimated 20,000 total gallons of waste were collected, containerized, and transported to EPA approved end-of-life locations around the country.
- ❖ Convened several meetings of the LRPC Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) to enhance local involvement in transportation planning and project development. The TAC advises the LRPC on transportation projects of regional significance.
- ❖ Co-hosted and organized three public Municipal Law Lectures in Meredith where practicing attorneys provide a legal perspective on local planning, zoning and other municipal issues. Recent lectures included: Off-Site Extractions and Impact Fees; Balancing Municipal Interests and Private Property Rights; Ethics for Land Use Board Members; and Land Use Regulations: Constitutional Challenges and the Evolving Law of Variances. Also convened a regional meeting on the use of conservation subdivisions as an effective land use conservation tool.
- ❖ Secured funding from the NH Emergency Management Bureau to assist local communities with

the preparation of all hazard management plans.

- ❖ Prepared a model steep slopes ordinance and a draft agricultural land preservation ordinance. Both are to be included in an innovative zoning guidebook to be released by the NH Department of Environmental Services in 2007.
- ❖ Awarded \$50,000 from the U.S. Economic Development Administration to prepare a Comprehensive Economic Development Plan (CEDS). LRPC will bring various stakeholders together to develop a regional vision and plan for regional economic progress. A completed CEDS will also provide communities with improved access to EDA funding for infrastructure and economic development projects, a benefit not currently available.
- ❖ Adopted the Lakes Region Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan; a planning effort that will help provide a blueprint for the location of regional and local bike and pedestrian routes.
- ❖ Conducted over 150 traffic counts around the region, in cooperation with the New Hampshire Department of Transportation (DOT). LRPC is also preparing and updating local road inventories, on a town-by-town basis, that will be used by the DOT.
- ❖ Participated on the Lakes Region Household Hazardous Product Facility board of directors to explore the ways and means that the facility may encourage communities to participate as members.
- ❖ Convened seven Commission meetings, including four area meetings, which featured a diverse range of topics ranging from a presentation focusing on how scenic views affect local property assessments, an update of LRPC's Regional Goals and Objectives which was accomplished with discussions and recommendations over the four area meetings and adoption in September of this year, an amendment to the Standing Rules and Procedures for the LRPC Transportation Advisory Committee, and an update on the recent achievements of the Northern Rail Trail in Merrimack County.
- ❖ Continue to represent the region on several boards and committees related to the economic and environmental well-being of the region, e.g., the Belknap County Economic Development Council, the Grafton County Economic Development Council, the Pemigewasset River Local Advisory Committee, the North Country Resource and Conservation Development Council, etc.
- ❖ Reviewed project proposals through the NH Intergovernmental Review Agreement that provides the region and local communities an opportunity to respond to applications seeking state and federal aid. LRPC reviewed many proposals having a combined investment total greater than \$15 million in the Lakes Region.
- ❖ Produced a calendar of critical deadlines for March Town Meeting, and distributed it via our web site and regular mail.
- ❖ Ordered and distributed many copies of the NH Planning and Land Use Regulation books to member planning boards at considerable savings. Copies are provided to individual planning board members.

WARRANT

2007

**TOWN OF ASHLAND
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
Warrant – Year 2007**

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Ashland, in the County of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Ashland Public School Gymnasium, 27 Highland Street in said Town on Saturday, February 3, 2007 at 1:00 p.m. to act upon the following articles. Vote by official ballot will take place on March 13, 2007 at the Ashland School Gymnasium, 27 Highland Street. Polls will be open from 9:00 a.m. and will close no earlier than 7:00 p.m.

Article 1:

To choose all of the following officers for the year ensuing:

(2)	Selectmen	3 Year Term
(1)	Selectman	1 Year Term
(1)	Town Trustee	3 Year Term
(1)	Library Trustee	3 Year Term
(1)	Electric Commissioner	3 Year Term
(1)	Water/Sewer Commissioner	3 Year Term
(3)	Budget Committee	3 Year Term
(2)	Budget Committee	2 Year Term
(2)	Budget Committee	1 Year Term

Article 2:

Amendment #1 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 1 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: to amend Section 2.3e [Population Density] of the Zoning Ordinance by changing the minimum land area per dwelling unit or mobile home in the Rural Residential Zone for areas with municipal water and sewer, municipal water only and municipal sewer only? (Majority Vote Required)

YES _____ NO _____

Amendment #2 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 2 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: to amend Section 4.6a.2 [Home Occupation Signage] of the Zoning Ordinance so as to limit the size of signage permitted for a home occupation? (Majority Vote Required)

YES _____ NO _____

Amendment #3 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 3 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: to amend Section 2.2f [Little Squam Lake and Squam River Overlay District] of the Zoning Ordinance by removing dug-in boathouses or other structures requiring or resulting in any alteration of the shoreline as a prohibited use?

YES _____ NO _____

Amendment #4 Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No. 4 as proposed by the Planning Board for the Town Zoning Ordinance as follows: to amend Section 4.9 of the Zoning Ordinance [Flood Hazard Areas] by changing or adding several provisions as necessary to comply with the requirements of the National Insurance Program?

YES _____ NO _____

Article 3:

To see if the Town of Ashland will vote to employ a full time paid fire chief at an annual salary of \$49,500 and to raise and appropriate \$42,000 to compensate that full time paid fire chief in 2007, instead of continuing to utilize the services of a part time volunteer fire chief. This article was submitted by petition. *The Budget Committee voted 6-3 to support this article. The Board of Selectmen supports this article.* (Majority vote required)

Article 4:

To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a 5 year lease agreement for the purpose of acquiring 13 sets of fire protective clothing for members of the fire department and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,685 which represents the first years payment for that purpose. The total lease amount over five years is \$23,425. This amount includes interest. This lease agreement does contain a non-appropriations clause. *The Budget Committee voted 7-2 to support this article. The Board of Selectman recommends this article.* (Majority vote required)

Article 5:

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$11,108 for the purpose of reducing the general fund deficit pursuant to RSA 41:9,V for the year 2005. The Department of Revenue Administration recommends this article. *The Board of Selectmen supports this article. The Budget Committee voted 8-1 to support this article.* (Majority vote required)

Article 6:

Shall we modify the provisions of RSA 72:28 II, The Optional Veterans' Tax Credit whose procedure for modification is authorized by RSA 72:27-a, III to increase the optional veterans' tax credit from its current amount of \$100 to \$250 such amount to be subtracted each year from the property tax on the veteran's residential property. (Majority vote required)

Article 7:

Are you in favor of amending Article 6 of the Town of Ashland Building Regulations to utilize the 2006 International Building Codes? (Majority vote required)

Article 8: Are you in favor of amending Article 6 of the Town of Ashland Building Regulations to utilize the 2006 International Residential Code? (Majority vote required)

Article 9:

Are you in favor of amending the Town of Ashland Building Regulations to adopt the most current edition of NFPA 1 Uniform Fire CodeT, as adopted by reference in the most current version of the State of New Hampshire State Fire Code, Chapter Saf-C 6000? (Majority vote required)

Article 10:

To see if the Town will vote to immediately discontinue the Board of Electric Commissioners and return the management, control, and direction of the municipal electric system to the authority of the Board of Selectmen. This article was submitted by petition. (Majority vote required)

Article 11:

Shall the Town of Ashland raise and appropriate as an operating budget not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amount set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote on the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$5,852,856. Should this article be defeated, the default budget shall be \$5,765,057 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Town of Ashland or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13 X and XVI to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. (Majority vote required)

Article 12:

To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.


TOWN OF ASHLAND
Board of Selectmen


Attest: A True Copy


Glenn R. Dion


Daniel P. Golden


Beth G. Bartlett


Jeanette I. Stewart


Thomas E. Peters

DATED AND POSTED: January 29, 2007

BUDGET OF THE TOWN WITH A MUNICIPAL BUDGET COMMITTEE

ASHLAND

BUDGET FORM FOR TOWNS WHICH HAVE ADOPTED
THE PROVISIONS OF RSA 32:14 THROUGH 32:24

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007

or Fiscal Year From _____ to _____

IMPORTANT:

Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the entire budget in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address below.

This form was posted with the warrant on (Date): 1-29-07

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Please sign in ink.

Ed Mull
Helen Knudton
Reynolds Oba
Keneth L Hughes
Tom M Sullivan
Anna J. J. J. J.

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ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)		Warr. Art.#	Appropriations		Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (RECOMMENDED)		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year RECOMMENDED		NOT RECOMMENDED
	HIGHWAYS & STREETS cont.			XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX		XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	XXXXXXX	
4316	Street Lighting			43,001		39,756	43,000		43,000		
4319	Other Town Mechanic			64,125		61,592	68,568		68,568		
SANITATION											
4321	Administration										
4323	Solid Waste Collection										
4324	Solid Waste Disposal			165,929		154,314	152,240		155,420		
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up										
4326-4329	Sewage Coll. & Disposal & Other										
WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT											
4331	Administration										
4332	Water Services										
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conserv.& Other										
ELECTRIC											
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation										
4353	Purchase Costs										
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance										
4359	Other Electric Costs										
HEALTH/WELFARE											
4411	Administration			2,653		2,235	2,453		2,453		
4414	Pest Control			2,900		2,700	3,100		3,100		
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hosp. & Other										
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assist.			39,300		31,543	38,213		38,213		
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Pymnts										
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other			22,815		22,815	23,587		23,487		100

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PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)		Warr. Art.#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA		Actual Expenditures Prior Year	SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (RECOMMENDED) (NOT RECOMMENDED)		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year RECOMMENDED NOT RECOMMENDED	
ACCT.#	CULTURE & RECREATION								
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation		156,381	152,202		184,718	184,518	200	
4550-4559	Library		48,737	48,637		45,000	52,805		
4583	Patriotic Purposes		6,468	6,434		7,006	7,006		
4589	Other Culture & Recreation		652	323		600	600		
CONSERVATION									
4611-4612	Admin. & Purch. of Nat. Resources		500	385		500	500		
4619	Other Conservation								
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMNT & HOUSING								
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT								
DEBT SERVICE									
4711	Princ.- Long Term Bonds & Notes		175,974	175,974		181,401	181,401		
4721	Interest-Long Term Bonds & Notes		165,543	164,295		156,441	156,441		
4723	Int. on Tax Anticipation Notes		1	6,472		500	500		
4790-4799	Other Debt Service								
CAPITAL OUTLAY									
4901	Land								
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment								
4903	Buildings								
4909	Improvements Other Than Bldgs.		6,197	6,197					
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT									
4912	To Special Revenue Fund								
4913	To Capital Projects Fund								
4914	To Enterprise Fund								
	Sewer-		301,739	408,921		315,712	315,712		
	Water-		183,123	155,057		185,287	185,287		

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ACCT.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)		Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA		Actual Expenditures Prior Year		SELECTMEN'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (RECOMMENDED)		BUDGET COMMITTEE'S APPROPRIATIONS Ensuing Fiscal Year (RECOMMENDED)		NOT RECOMMENDED	
	OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT cont.		XXXXXXX		XXXXXXX		XXXXXXX		XXXXXXX		XXXXXXX	
	Electric-			2,810,845		2,180,743		2,866,546			2,866,546	
	Airport-											
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund			42,000		42,000						
4916	To Exp.Tr.Fund-except #4917											
4917	To Health Maint. Trust Funds											
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds											
4919	To Fiduciary Funds											
SUBTOTAL 1				5,811,385		5,145,234		5,773,438			5,852,856	

If you have a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, please use the space below to identify the make-up of the line total for the ensuing year.

Acct. #	Warr. Art. #	Amount	Acct. #	Warr. Art. #	Amount

****SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES****

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****INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES****

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

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ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
TAXES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Taxes - General Fund		106	4,650	3,000
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Timber Taxes		10,000	489	5,000
3186	Payment in Lieu of Taxes		43,000	39,319	43,000
3189	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		30,000	31,356	32,000
	Inventory Penalties				
3187	Excavation Tax (\$.02 cents per cu yd)		20	24	25
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		6,002	6,039	6,371
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		309,500	300,844	301,000
3230	Building Permits		11,286	10,771	8,560
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		2,925	4,319	3,300
3311-3319	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT			2,670	
FROM STATE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		65,000	69,044	57,928
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution		70,000	78,568	80,000
3353	Highway Block Grant		44,322	46,015	45,000
3354	Water Pollution Grant		43,360	57,650	57,650
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement		100	0	100
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)				
3379	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS				
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments		133,251	138,953	185,686
3409	Other Charges		1,000	0	
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property			3,256	72,001
3502	Interest on Investments		5,500	4,817	3,500
3503-3509	Other		45,096	23,726	21,451
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3912	From Special Revenue Funds				
3913	From Capital Projects Funds				

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ACCT.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenues Prior Year	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Estimated Revenues Ensuing Year
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN cont.			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3914	From Enterprise Funds				
	Sewer - (Offset)		301,739	360,010	315,712
	Water - (Offset)		183,123	185,366	185,287
	Electric - (Offset)		2,810,845	2,151,061	2,866,546
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds				
3916	From Trust & Fiduciary Funds				
3917	Transfers from Conservation Funds				
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes				
Amounts VOTED From F/B ("Surplus")					
Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes			150,000	0	80,000
TOTAL ESTIMATED REVENUE & CREDITS			4,266,176	3,518,947	4,373,117

****BUDGET SUMMARY****

	PRIOR YEAR ADOPTED BUDGET	SELECTMEN'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET	BUDGET COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDED BUDGET
SUBTOTAL 1 Appropriations Recommended (from pg. 5)		5,773,438	5,852,856
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)		42,000	42,000
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended (from pg. 6)		15,793	15,793
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended		5,831,231	5,910,649
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)		4,373,117	4,373,117
Estimated Amount of Taxes to be Raised		1,458,114	1,537,532

Maximum Allowable Increase to Budget Committee's Recommended Budget per RSA 32:18: \$541,599.70
(See Supplemental Schedule With 10% Calculation)

Note: Some actual revenues and expenditures on this form are incomplete.

BUDGET COMMITTEE SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE

(For Calculating 10% Maximum Increase)
(RSA 32:18, 19, & 32:21)

VERSION #1: Use if you have no Collective Bargaining Cost Items or RSA 32:21 Water Costs

LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL UNIT: TOWN OF ASHLAND FISCAL YEAR END DEC. 31, 2007

	RECOMMENDED AMOUNT
1. Total RECOMMENDED by Budget Comm. (See Posted Budget MS7, 27, or 37)	5,910,649
LESS EXCLUSIONS:	
2. Principal: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	269,971
3. Interest: Long-Term Bonds & Notes	221,336
4. Capital Outlays Funded From Long-Term Bonds & Notes per RSA 33:8 & 33:7-b.	0
5. Mandatory Assessments	3,345
6. Total exclusions (Sum of rows 2 - 5)	< 494,652 >
7. Amount recommended less recommended exclusion amounts (line 1 less line 6)	5,415,997
8. Line 7 times 10%	541,599.70
9. Maximum Allowable Appropriations (lines 1 + 8)	6,542,248.70

Line 8 is the maximum allowable increase to budget committee's recommended budget. Please enter this amount on the bottom of the posted budget form, MS7, 27, or 37.

Please attach a copy of this completed supplemental schedule to the back of the budget form.

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DATES TO REMEMBER

- 1- Jan Fiscal Year Begins
- 3- Feb Deliberative Session of 2007 Town Meeting
Ashland School Gymnasium - 1 PM
- 7- Feb Deliberative Session of 2007 Pemi-Baker School District Meeting
Plymouth Regional High School - 6:30 PM
- 13- Mar SB2 Official Balloting/Town and School Officers Election
Ashland School Gymnasium 9 AM to 7 PM
- 15- Mar Ashland School District Meeting
Ashland School Gymnasium - 7 PM
- 1- Apr All real property assessed to owner
- 15- Apr Last day to file for religious, educational and charitable
organizations to file annual list of all exempt property with
assessing officials. Refusal to file may be grounds for denial.
- 15- Apr Deadline for Credits/Exemptions for year preceding setting of tax rate
- 15- Apr Last day to file "Report of Cut" for 2005-2006 year
- 15- Apr Last day to file Current Use Application for 2007 year
- 30- Apr 2006 Dog Tags Expire - Renew with Town Clerk
- 1- Jul First Issue 2007 Tax Bill due
- 1- Dec Second Issue 2007 Tax Bill due

MEETING SCHEDULES

*Subject to change with notice

Board of Selectmen	First/Third Monday of the Month 7 PM - Ashland School Library
Planning Board	First Wednesday of the Month 7 PM - Ashland School Cafeteria or School Library
Board of Adjustment	Third Wednesday of the Month - Board Work Session Meeting Scheduled as Needed Posted in Post Office and Town Office
Conservation Comm.	First Wednesday of the Month 7 PM - Ashland Town Hall
Housing Standards	Called as needed Posted in Post Office and Town Office
Budget Committee	Called as needed Posted in Post Office and Town Office
Electric Commissioners	Second and Fourth Tuesday of the Month 10 AM - Utility Office
Water/Sewer Comm.	First and Third Thursday of the Month 3:30 PM - Utility Office